

CHRISTMAS AT CHURCHES

Where and When You Can Go to Do Honor to the Birth of the Saviour of Mankind.

BAPTIST CHURCH.
At 7:30 o'clock next Wednesday evening the Sunday school children of the Baptist congregation will carry out a program of songs, recitations and musical numbers appropriate to the festival of Christmas. There will be a tree from which gifts will be distributed. At the regular services next Sunday a special Christmas program of music will be rendered.

CATHOLIC CHURCHES.
The usual pretty decorations on like occasions will adorn St. Joseph's church and special music will be rendered by the choir at the midnight and 10 a. m. services. Mass will also be offered up by Father Ehr at 8 o'clock Christmas morning.

An enlarged choir will furnish unusually good music for the principal services at St. Peter's church on Christmas. High mass will be offered up at midnight and at 10 a. m., and there will also be services more especially for the children at 8 o'clock.

Masses at midnight, 8 and 10 o'clock will also be conducted at St. Stephen's church on Christmas, when the edifice will be beautified with a profusion of cut flowers and seasonable decorations.

EPISCOPAL CHURCH.

Beginning at 11:30 o'clock next Wednesday night there will be a full musical service at Church of the Intercession. At this time Ayre's communion service will be offered up and among the musical numbers are Gounod's "Nazareth" and Roberts' "Seek Ye the Lord." The soloists will include T. L. N. Port, Garth Jensen, Miss Millicent Olin, Mrs. T. H. Hanna and Geo. J. Smalley. Rev. E. Croft Gear will also conduct services at 8 o'clock Christmas morning. Special exercises for the children will also be held at 4 o'clock on the afternoon of Sunday, Dec. 28th. Elaborate preparations are under way for a cantata, "The Birth of Christ," which takes place at Guild hall on Tuesday evening, Dec. 30th. A stage, supplied with footlights and other accessories, is being built, and this musical production promises to be something really first-class. Between 30 and 35 adults and children comprise the cast.

FRIEDENS CHURCH.

Rev. Schmidt, pastor of the Friedens Evangelical church, corner Center avenue and Dixon street, announces that there will be a Christmas celebration next Wednesday evening, commencing at 7:00 o'clock, when the Sunday school children and choir will render a program of songs, recitations, dialogues, etc. An evergreen tree will also be well laden for the occasion. Thursday morning's service begins at 10 o'clock, followed by the serving of communion. A German sermon will be preached on this occasion and all who understand the language are cordially welcomed. The next Sunday, Dec. 28th, there will be German services in the morning and an English sermon at 7:30 p. m.

LUTHERAN CHURCHES.

Rev. F. MacGillisen, pastor of Trinity Lutheran church, will conduct special services on the afternoon of Thursday, Dec. 25th, beginning at 3 o'clock, and in the evening at 7:30 the children will be delighted with a Christmas tree.

Next Wednesday evening, Dec. 24th, commencing at 7:30 o'clock, there will be exercises for the children at St. Paul's Lutheran church. A program of German songs and recitations is being prepared, followed by the distribution of gifts from a large Christmas tree. On Christmas afternoon at 2 o'clock there will be German services at this church and at 7:30 that evening Rev. B. O. Richter will preach an English sermon appropriate for the occasion. German services are also announced for the evening of the 26th.

METHODIST CHURCHES.

A Christmas festival takes place at the German M. E. church on Center street at 7:00 o'clock on Thursday evening, Dec. 25th, the program being given by the children of the parish and promises to be very enjoyable. There will also be special services at 10 o'clock that morning, with a sermon by the pastor, Rev. Anton Held. Exercises will also be conducted at this church on New Year's eve and at 10 a. m. New Year's day.

An informal social for members of the congregation and friends will be given at St. Paul's M. E. church on Christmas eve, beginning at 7:30 o'clock. No set program will be allowed to interfere with the informality but to assist in the entertainment there will be several musical numbers and recitations by high grade talent.

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH.

"Everybody's Christmas" is Rev. John A. Stemen's theme for next Sunday morning, when special Christmas services will be conducted at the First Presbyterian church. The musical features will include solos by some of our best local talent and other preparations out of the ordinary are being made for these exercises, which begin at 10:30 o'clock.

In the evening at 7:30 there will be conducted a song recital, when Miss Nina Coye will be assisted at the organ by Miss Louise Southwick. An outline of the program is printed below:

Voluntary—
a Grand Chorus—Julius Grieson
b The Sandman—John Cover Alden
c Nuptial March—Ernest W. Barnard
Nina B. Coye
Doxology—
Anthem, "The Birthday of the King"—Neidlinger
Hymn—
Solo—Selected—Miss Coye and Girls' Chorus
Scripture—
Mrs. T. H. Hanna

Anthem, "Behold, I Bring You Good Tidings"—C. W. Coye, Nina Coye, Mrs. Gregory, H. M. Halverson

Notices—
Offering—"Ave Marie"—Scotts Clark Solo—"Silent Night"—Franz Gruber
Solo—Selected—Mrs. Gregory, H. M. Halverson
Prayer—
Response—"O, Hear Our Prayer"—Quartet
Anthem, "O, Holy Virgin"—Louis E. Dressler
Anthem, "Nina Coye and Girls' Chorus"
Anthem, "Angels from the Realms of Glory"—Quartet

Hymn—
Benediction—
Postlude—March Religioso—E. L. Ashford
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E. A. Arenberg.

HE DIED SUDDENLY

Former Young Resident of This County Found Dead at Home of Brother-in-Law Near Wausau

Felix Rybicki of Rosholt, a farm hand in the employ of his brother-in-law, Joseph Sattler, who lives between Kelly and Callon, was found dead Thursday evening at the home of his uncle, Julius Pelski, on the Little Eau Claire river, says the Wausau Record-Herald. Rybicki's death was probably due to acute alcoholism, according to Dr. E. J. Phelps of Elderon, who investigated the case because of the illness of Coroner Ray M. Frawley. Rybicki had been in the habit of leaving the Sattler farm when work was slack to visit his uncle. He was addicted to excessive indulgence in intoxicating beverages and when he arrived at the farm of his uncle nothing was thought of his condition. He lay down in the kitchen by the stove and was soon asleep, snoring loudly. He was seen by his uncle, who, after a short time, returned to the room and attempted to arouse him. When Mr. Pelski touched the body it rolled over limp.

PIONEER ENGINEER DEAD

Sam B. Letter, One of the Early Day Engineers on the Old Wisconsin Central, Dies in Chicago.

Samuel R. Letter, who will be well remembered by readers of this paper residing in Stevens Point in the 70's as one of the first engineers on the old Wisconsin Central with headquarters in this city, passed away at his home, 815 Addison street, Chicago, last Friday, Dec. 12th, after having been in failing health for the past two years. He was confined to his bed for about thirty days, the cause of death being Bright's disease.

Mr. Letter was married in this city many years ago to Miss Matilda H. Burns, who resided at the corner of Church and Mathilda streets in the Sixth ward, the last named thoroughfare being christened in her honor. Some years later they moved to Chicago, which had been the family home ever since. Mr. Letter will be remembered not only as one of the first engineers on the Central but one of the best as well, and all who knew him will extend sympathy to those left to mourn.

Besides his wife he leaves two daughters, Mrs. H. E. Chamberlain and Mrs. A. E. Profit and one brother, Geo. A. Letter, all of Chicago.

The funeral was held Sunday afternoon, with interment at Forest Home, Chicago, and among those present was Henry L. Green of Chicago, president of the Old White School Association of this city, which school the widow attended as a girl.

Sale of Home Baking.

The Parish Guild of Church of the Intercession will hold a sale of home baking in the Strongs avenue window of Miss Fannie Kugle's millinery store, corner Strongs avenue and Main street, next Saturday afternoon beginning at one o'clock. The sale will be in charge of Mrs. G. B. Clark and Mrs. L. P. Moen.

New Building for Gem.

M. E. Bruce has bought from Henry Haertel a strip of ground 26x100 feet near the corner of Strongs avenue and Crooked Way, and is now hauling material there for the erection of a frame building to be occupied by the Gem theatre. The Gem is now located in Odd Fellows block on N. Third street, recently rented for city offices. It is expected that the new building will be completed in two or three weeks, a large force of men being busy in its construction.

To Teach D. S. at Glenwood.

Miss Henrietta Bergholt was a passenger on Tuesday morning's train for Glenwood City, St. Croix county, where she went to engage a boarding place and make other arrangements for taking charge of the domestic science department in the public schools the first week in January. Miss Bergholt graduated from the local high school in 1911, since which time she has been a student of domestic science at the Normal. She is not only well equipped for her new duties but also enjoys an excellent musical education and is especially proficient as a violinist. Her mother, Mrs. Henry Bergdolt, accompanied Henrietta as far as Wabash to visit friends there a few days.

NORMAL CHRISTMAS TREE

It is a Public Affair for the Children of Stevens Point on Normal Campus Tonight.

This evening there will be a Christmas tree and a program on the Normal campus. The Lighting Company will furnish the tree decorations and the Normal school, with the generous assistance of the business men of the city, will supply all that is necessary for a Christmas celebration, including candy, popcorn, dancing, singing, fireworks and an old time mummery. The public is cordially invited.

This celebration was announced by Pres. Sims at last Thursday's meeting of the Business Men's Association, and the result is that about \$100 has been generously provided by individual donations for holiday tokens for the children of our city, all of whom will be made welcome.

Makes Good Suggestions.

At the meeting of the Woman's Club last Saturday afternoon the program was in charge of the civic betterment committee and Mrs. C. B. Baker gave a detailed resume of the work accomplished by that committee and the club during the past five years. Mrs. T. H. Hanna and Miss Kate Ball rendered vocal solos and Rev. E. Croft Gear, rector of the Church of the Intercession, gave an earnest and helpful talk along the line of our city's most urgent needs, and made excellent suggestions for the moral uplift of our city.

Medical Missionary Coming.

Rev. Dr. John D. Frame, for several years a medical missionary in Persia, will preach at the Presbyterian church on Sunday morning, Dec. 28th. Dr. Frame is the oldest son of the late Rev. Walter R. Frame, a former pastor of the local congregation. The young man spent his boyhood days here and is pleasantly remembered by many of our people.

In the evening at this church the sermon will be delivered by Rev. J. S. Lean of Milwaukee, superintendent of the anti-saloon association. Union services take place on the above occasion.

WAS KILLED IN CHICAGO

Albert Morrill of Linwood, on Trip to East, Met With Fatal Accident in Windy City Tuesday.

A. Morrill, a cattle dealer of Stevens Point, Wis., was injured, probably fatally, yesterday when he was struck by a State street car at East Eighth street. His skull was fractured and he suffered internal injuries. He became confused crossing the street and backed against the car.

The above item appeared in the Chicago Record-Herald this morning and briefly tells of a fatality which occurred in that city yesterday, the victim dying some time after the accident, information to that effect being received in a telegram to Chief of Police Hafsoos from Walter Somers, 79 West Monroe street, at about 11 o'clock last night, and this morning a telegram was received from C. L. Ball, an undertaker on Wabash avenue, inquiring as to the disposition of the body.

An item elsewhere in this issue recounts the fact that Wm. Kakuschke and Albert Morrill, both of Linwood, left here Sunday night for a trip to West Virginia, but no information has been received as to whether the former was in company with the latter at the time of the accident. The telegram from Somers also stated that Morrill had \$2,000 on his person, and Dist. Atty. Sickelsteel and Public Administrator Moen have notified the Chicago authorities to send the money and ship the body to Stevens Point at once.

The deceased was about 65 years of age, a bachelor, and had recently sold his farm in Linwood, since which time he had been boarding at the Bruce and Farmers hotels. He had no relatives in this section so far as known.

Public Library Notes.

The Woman's Club have presented the library with another useful gift, the periodical, Good Government, which is the official journal of the National reform league, and it will appear regularly in the reading room.

The following new fiction has been added to the rent collection:
Burnett—T. Tembaron.
Johnston—Hager.
Watts—Van Cleve.
Doyle—The poison belt.
London—Valley of the moon.
Erskine—The eye of dread.
Roe—Heart of the night wind.

The public library will close this evening on account of the doings at the local Normal, where there will be a Christmas tree on the campus.

WAS ADMITTED TO BAIL

Young Man Charged With Assault With Intent to do Great Bodily Harm—Trouble Over Lease of Building.

Trouble over the action taken at the last meeting of the common council, whereby that body by a unanimous vote decided to lease for city office purposes the north ground floor room in the Odd Fellows block on North Third street, now occupied by the Gem theatre, led to the arrest of Russell Gregory, proprietor of the theatre, on the charge of assault and battery, the victim being Geo. Buchan, one of the trustees of the lodge and chairman of the committee. The altercation took place in front of the Main street Soo line depot at about 5 o'clock Friday evening, at which time it is claimed that Buchan was twice knocked down by Gregory and so badly injured that a physician had to be called after he was taken to his home on Clark street. Gregory appeared in court the next day, but was not allowed to plead and on Monday he was charged with assault with intent to do great bodily harm, to which he entered a plea of not guilty and gave bail in the sum of \$500 for his appearance Monday, Dec. 29th. The first complaint was made by M. E. Bruce and the latter by Chief Hafsoos. Dist. Atty. Sickelsteel represents the state and Geo. B. Nelson the defendant.

Mr. Buchan is still confined to his home on Clark street, but will no doubt soon be about again. He has been warehouse foreman for the Wisconsin Central and Soo companies for a number of years, having charge of the Main street depot much of this time.

Just a Few Words.

At the close of the recent contest for prizes, in which The Gazette received several hundred new subscribers, while many others paid the amounts due or for years in advance, a task was left to give proper credit on our mailing list and to add the new names, and as yet the work is not completed, only partially so. In due time, possibly within a week or two, your label will show the right figures and the proper credit, if you are among those who have not as yet been credited.

Clothes Line Thieves Abroad.

Clothes line thieves were about last Monday night and as a consequence Mrs. Geo. Gemberling is in possession of several garments which do not belong to her. In order that no one may get a wrong impression, an explanation is hereby given: The party or parties above referred to had evidently made a haul in the neighborhood and carried their plunder to the Gemberling back yard to make further selections from the clothes line. They must have been frightened away before accomplishing their object, and in their haste to depart, left several of the stolen articles.

Raised the Flag Pole.

Work on the new Second ward school building is progressing most satisfactorily, thanks to the open winter, there being no snow and very little cold weather in this section at present. The brick walls are finished and the work of putting on the roof is so far advanced that a flag pole was raised and put in place this morning. The contractors, Abb & Playman, are certainly favored by the elements.

Back From North Dakota.

Alfred Puaria and family, who have resided on a homestead at Pierce, N. D., for a number of years, returned here the first of the week and will again make their home on the old homestead in the town of Buena Vista, which formerly belonged to his father, the late Moses Puaria.

Mr. Puaria met with very good success in the west, but seasons and conditions are too uncertain, and he comes back fully realizing that Wisconsin is not only one of the best, but the very best state in the Union.

WAS WELL KNOWN HERE

Anthony Guenther, Native of Marathon County, Well Known Through Wisconsin River Valley, Passed Away.

One of the best known men in the Wisconsin river valley, a native of Marathon county, born at Knowlton, Dec. 14, 1856, and who had lived there all his life, passed away at his home in the city of Wausau at 10 o'clock last Friday morning, after having been in poor health for the past year. All who knew Anthony Guenther during his life time—strong, hale, hearty and apparently healthy—are shocked and pained to learn of his death.

About two months ago he entered St. Mary's hospital at Wausau, being in a critical condition then, it being apparent that he could not recover, and he gradually failed, being taken to the home of his daughter some time before the end, which was caused by a complication of diseases.

Anthony Guenther was fifty-six years, eleven months and twenty-nine days of age and had survived until last Sunday would have celebrated his fifty-seventh birthday. His parents were among the very earliest settlers in the county. Thirty-six years ago, Nov. 26, 1877, at Knowlton, Mr. Guenther was united in marriage with Miss Margaret Halder, whose parents were among the pioneers of Ellis, better known as Poland Corners, in this county. At the time of his marriage he was treasurer of the town of Knowlton. Mr. Guenther also served as assessor of the town of Knowlton and for the past twelve years had been chairman of the town. In politics Mr. Guenther was a staunch, unswerving Democrat, doing much for party success, consistent at all times, and was in all respects a first-class man and citizen, a wholehearted gentleman, good husband and father.

Besides his widow he leaves eight daughters, Mrs. Mark A. Guenther, of Knowlton; Misses Rose, Tekla, Isabelle, Genevieve, Louise and Ruth Guenther of Wausau and Miss Irene Guenther of Washington, D. C., and two sons, Kenneth Guenther of Wausau and Leonard G. Guenther of Turah. He is also survived by his sister, Mrs. Mary Malone, and three brothers, Charles, Thomas and Leonard Guenther, all of Knowlton.

The funeral was held Monday morning from St. James church at Wausau. Father Brennan officiating, interment following in St. Joseph's cemetery. Alois Stark of Knowlton; Fred Moedenhauer, Blackwell; A. J. Flowman, Elderon; George Merklein, T. R. Malone and Frank O'Connor of Wausau, acted as pallbearers. There were present a large number of old friends from Knowlton to pay their last respects, besides many from Mosinee, Dancy, Stevens Point, Merrill and Wausau, also Mrs. John Heissel and Fred Halfer of Le Mars, Iowa, showing the high esteem in which Mr. Guenther was held. The floral offerings were many and very beautiful.

Marriage Licenses

John Barwick to Theodora Bartkowiak, both of Stevens Point. Joseph Kryszewski to Catherine Kryszewski, both of Stevens Point. John Getzinger, Hanson, Wood county, to Elsie Zettler, Grant.

HAVE MILLIONS ON DEPOSIT

Portage County Banks Show Prosperity of Its Citizens—Capital and Undivided Profits.

Reports of the condition of national banks throughout the country were called for on Oct. 21st by the comptroller of the currency, when statements published by the two Stevens Point banks showed deposits aggregating \$1,680,215.70. The state bank examiner made a call for like statements at the close of business Dec. 1st, and from published statements made by the nine Portage county institutions under state supervision, the following table is prepared:

Arnott State Bank.....	\$
Bancroft State Bank.....	
Junction State Bank.....	
Security Bank, Amherst Junction....	
Nelsonville State Bank.....	
Portage County Bank, Almond.....	
Rosholt State Bank.....	
Wisconsin State Bank, City.....	
International Bank, Amherst.....	
Citizens National Bank, City.....	
First National Bank, City.....	

CIRCUIT COURT CASES

Court Will Adjourn This Week Until First Week in January—Matters Disposed of or Continued.

Sigmund Green vs. Petronela Berlig et al. Settled.
Moll-Glendon Co. vs. Joseph Maurer Settled.

J. M. Braun vs. Anton F. Penkoskey. Settled.
R. B. Smiley vs. Wm. C. Hubbard. D. I. Sickelsteel appeared for the plaintiff and Fisher, Hanna & Cashin for the defendant. The following jury returned a verdict of no cause of action: Clarence Whittaker, John Skibba, W. H. Smith, Thomas Demares, Wm. Rasmussen, Robert Altengurg, Martin E. Moe, Fred Klug, T. J. Pitt, Clinton Cate, S. C. Warner, N. A. Krzysha.

W. J. Vaughn vs. Mary Vaughn. Waupaca county special. Judgment of divorce.

A. M. Kleiner vs. City of Stevens Point. Settled.

In the matter of the will of Dominick Bielawski vs. Anna Bielawski and Filomena Bielawski. Jury returned a special verdict in favor of plaintiff.

Edward Minto vs. John Fleet. The following jurors returned a verdict of no cause of action: Walter Smith, E. G. Betlach, Stephen Fehely, Ed. Mason, Wm. Gilman, John Flaig, Martin Stanislowski, Dennis Glisczynski, Will Taylor, Joseph Weisbrodt, Thomas Pallen, Herman Bobba, F. F. Wheeler of Waupaca for plaintiff; D. I. Sickelsteel for defendant.

Stephen H. Worzalla et al. vs. Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul Railway Co. Dismissed.

Joseph Malek vs. John Kukowski. Dismissed.

McCray Refrigerator Co. vs. W. E. Gustin. Jury rendered a verdict in favor of plaintiff, fixing damages at \$75.

A. F. Grubba vs. Green Bay & Western Railway Co. Motion to amend complaint denied.

Geo. Hamiel vs. town of Buena Vista. Settled.

Victor Gosiorowski vs. Frank Bemowski. Continued.

A. L. Vaughn vs. Geo. W. Allen. Verdict for plaintiff in the sum of \$70.00 damages.

Geo. Soik vs. town of Sharon. Continued.

J. F. Franklin vs. Martin Ryzewski et al. Continued.

A. F. Grubba vs. Green Bay & Western R. R. Amendment to complaint allowed and case continued.

Jurors Bert Strong and Dennis Glisczynski were excused until the first Monday in January and it is expected that court will adjourn this week until that date.

Committee Made Inspection.

C. H. Packard, chief of the fire department, Herman Krems, foreman of fire company No. 1 and Thos. Helinski, foreman of fire company No. 2, have finished their inspection of the business places, manufacturing establishments, offices, etc., of the city, as required by law, and the chief will be able to make a full report to state fire marshal, as required by law, before Dec. 21st. The committee were well pleased with their inspection.

To Winter in California.

Mr. and Mrs. S. S. Booth of Hancock spent Tuesday and last night among former neighbors in this city and completing arrangements for a western trip, on which they will start next Saturday. A daughter, Mrs. L. J. Hill, lives at Pasadena, Cal., and they will spend several weeks with her. They will also visit Mrs. Booth's sister, Mrs. W. G. Percy, and numerous relatives at Long Beach and also enjoy the sights of San Francisco. Shortly after their return next April Mr. Booth plans on building a new house on Madison street, just around the corner from Anderson's drug store. He owns two other residence properties in this city.

Was Sufferer for Years.

Mrs. Geo. J. Osterman came down from Phillips last Saturday to visit her husband, who is a patient at St. Michael's hospital. Their son-in-law, Claude L. Leighty, who spent most of last week here, returned to St. Paul Sunday morning, where he is interested in the land business. Mr. Osterman has been a sufferer since boyhood, when in falling from an apple tree a thorn pierced his leg. A difficult operation performed last week may restore him to good health.

FRATERNAL ORDERS ELECT

Various Local Fraternal and Benevolent Societies Choose Officers Within Past Week.

The newly elected officers of the Woman's Relief Corps are: President—Grace West. Senior Vice—Louis Thoms. Junior Vice—Olive Miller. Secretary—Lizzie Anderson. Treasurer—Eliza Neitzel. Chaplain—Mary Welty. Conductor—Jennie Altenburg. Guard—Ellen Carpenter. Ass't. Conductor—Melissa Denny. Ass't. Guard—Mary Young. Delegate to State Convention—Anna Clark. Alternate—Sarah Bailey. Color Bearers—Sophia Dorscheid, Ida Chapman, Bertha Simpler, Emma Johnson. Press Correspondent—Anna Clark. Patriotic Instructor—Mrs. G. W. Ellis.

Arbitus Colony, No. 203, Beaver Queens, elected the following officers last Thursday evening: Most Worthy Queen—Kate Karner. Past Worthy Queen—Anna Herman. Worthy Duchess—Aurice Hewitt. Worthy Princess—Mary Field. Secretary—Mary Burns. Treasurer—Effie Fulton. Trustee, 3 years—Mary Duggan. Trustee, 1 year—Mayne Podach.

St. Cecilia's Court, No. 185, Woman's Catholic Order of Foresters, elected the following officers last Wednesday evening: Chief Ranger—Miss Mary Tack. Vice Chief—Mrs. Mary Scholl. Rec. Sec.—Mrs. Josephine Schantz. Fin. Sec.—Mrs. Katherine Krembs. Treasurer—Mrs. Lottie Adams. Trustees—Mrs. Pauline Gross, Mrs. Elizabeth Abb, Mrs. Lena Herman. Delegate to Triennial Convention to be held in Chicago in the fall of 1914—Mrs. Katherine Krembs. Alternate—Miss Mary Tack. Medical Examiner—Dr. D. S. Rice. Senior Con.—Mrs. Lena Herman. Junior Con.—Mrs. Rose Martini. Inside Sentinel—Mrs. Pauline Gross. Outside Sentinel—Mrs. Mary Burns.

Phoenix Lodge, No. 33, Knights of Pythias, has elected officers as follows: Chancellor Com.—A. M. Whirrer. Vice Chancellor—M. Whitney. Prelate—A. Danarski. Master of Work—W. J. Dagneau. Keeper of Records and Stats—J. Jarvis. Master of Finance—F. Jarvis. Master of Exchange—R. Jurchen. Master at Arms—C. E. Knapp. Inner Guard—A. Puska. Outer Guard—G. J. Smalley. Trustee, 3 years—C. H. Vetter. Trustee, 2 years—C. E. Emmons. Trustee, 2 years—F. E. Noble. Grand representative, 2 years—J. W. Brown.

The following officers were elected at the annual meeting of St. Hedwig's Court, Women's Catholic Order of Foresters, last Sunday: Chief Ranger—Waleria Molski. Vice Chief Ranger—Agnes Napietek. Recording Sec.—Mary Naliborski. Financial Secretary—Elva Formella. Treasurer—Johanna Strodz. Trustees—Mary Koschnick, Frances Palubitski, Mary Reginski. Conductors—Susan Ietziuff, Katherine Reska. Sentinels—Anna Landowski, Mary Elbrant. Med. Examiner—Dr. C. von Neupert. Delegate—Mary Naliborski; alternate—Elva Formella.

Willard Hive, No. 65, L. O. T. M., has chosen the following officers for the coming year: Commander—Mr. Ida Barker. Past Com.—Mrs. Robert Atw. Lieut. Com.—Mrs. R. S. Jensen. Record Keeper—Mrs. Emma Barker. Finance And.—Mrs. Jessie Guley. Sergeant—Mrs. Dora Wilson. Lady at Arms—Miss Gertrude Clamblair. Chaplain—Mrs. Elva Sawyer. Sentinel—Mr. E. Ziboth Thoms. Picket—Mrs. L. Rose Langworthy.

Young Student Dead. Mrs. Anna Boyer mourns the death of her twelve year old daughter, Emma, who passed away at their home, 104 Park street, at 10:30 o'clock last Thursday forenoon, after a short illness, being taken sick Monday morning. The death of the deceased, who was a student at St. Peter's parochial school and was well liked by teachers and pupils, is indeed a sad blow to the afflicted mother. The funeral took place from St. Peter's church Saturday morning, with interment in the parish cemetery.

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Bancroft Couple Married. Miss Lucy Rozell and Walter H. Thiede came up from Bancroft last Wednesday and that afternoon were married by Rev. James Blake at his residence on Church street. After spending the night in this city, the young couple returned to Bancroft the following morning, where the groom is employed as a buttermaker. The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. H. T. Rozell, who are engaged in the hotel business in that village. Mr. and Mrs. Thiede are entitled to the well wishes of all who know them.

DEATH OF A YOUNG MAN Frank Hake, Proprietor of Grocery Store in This City, Passed Away Unexpectedly, Thursday.

The death of Frank Hake, a well known young grocer located at 215 South Public square, occurred very suddenly at 10:15 o'clock last Thursday forenoon, passing away at his home, 217 Washington street. He had been in failing health, due to dropsy, for about seven months, but was able to be about and look after his business interests until Tuesday, when he was compelled to take to his bed and the decline was very rapid to the end.

The deceased was a native of Portage county, born in the town of Sharon, and was thirty-two years of age. He was married at Polonia eight years ago to Miss Lizzie Kostka, and about five years ago removed to the city and engaged in the grocery business with his father-in-law, August Kostka, on the north side of public square, withdrawing last spring to engage in business for himself on the south side of the square, where he was meeting with good success, being a popular dealer and a firstclass young man in all respects.

Besides his widow he leaves one son, Chester, aged six years, together with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Stephen Hake of Polonia, and nine brothers and sisters, John of this city, Martha of Milwaukee, and Alex, Joseph, Stephen, Nicholas, Michael and Regina and Mrs. John Wejak of Polonia. The remains were taken to Polonia, where the funeral took place at 9 o'clock Monday morning from Sacred Heart church, Rev. T. Malowski officiating, with interment in the adjoining cemetery.

HEALTH
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What Are Antitoxins? An opium fiend may take almost without noticeable effect an amount of the drug sufficient to kill a dozen beginners. Everyone has noticed how the immediate evil effects of tobacco are overcome by persistence. Disease germs produce poisons called "toxins." Toxins and not the germs themselves are responsible for disease.

That the poisoning is not fatal in each case of germ disease is due to the resistance of the individual. Resistance is built up by small doses of these toxins. People resist disease when the defenses are erected more rapidly than invasion takes place. They succumb when the invasion is more rapid than the defense.

Disease germs excite the formation of so-called "antitoxins." The antitoxin fights the germs. The process is perfectly definite in the case of some germs. Thus, diphtheria, the resistance and strength of antitoxins can be measured, even though the real force has not been seen by the eye.

A great triumph was scored when it was discovered that the process of manufacturing antitoxins could be run through the body of a lower animal, and a serum be secured which cures and prevents diphtheria more rapidly and certainly than "horse made" antitoxin. The antitoxin of diphtheria has been the most satisfactory one discovered. The process of manufacture is interesting.

How is serum made? A small piece of tissue of the diphtheria germ is injected into the horse, which may become ill. As it recovers from the first effects, larger and larger doses are given. Finally the horse is able to tolerate enormous doses with no ill effects whatever. Its blood is then carefully antitoxic. From it, the serum containing the antitoxin is extracted. Treatment of diphtheria by antitoxin has reduced deaths by over one half. It is an almost absolute preventative when injected into persons exposed to the disease.

Attended Father's Funeral. P. C. Johnson, 119 Brawley street, returned from Hinkley, Ill., last Saturday, where he was called by the death of his father, M. C. Johnson, who passed away a couple of weeks ago. The deceased gentleman had a number of friends in this city, having visited here in the past, and his death is regretted.

FOUR SCORES AND TEN Another Aged Pioneer Called, Death Occurring in Town of Stockton—Burial Place Monday—Burial.

A couple of weeks ago the death of the oldest Polish resident in Portage county was announced in the person of Mrs. Dzwonkowski at Ellis, who was 99 years of age, and again we are called upon to record the passing away of another of our Polish pioneers, Andrew Mager, who died at the home of his son, Martin, near Arnott, at 1 o'clock last Friday morning.

The deceased was born in Prussia-Poland ninety-two years ago, coming to the town of Stockton in 1871 and followed the life of a farmer until he was forced to retire on account of old age. He survived by three sons and one daughter, Martin of Stockton, Nicholas, whose address is unknown, John of Plover and Mrs. Michael Neumann of Milwaukee.

The funeral took place from the Catholic church at Fancher, Monday morning, Rev. L. J. Pencinski officiating.

Local News. Home made sauerkraut, 10 cents per quart, at Behrendt's, 431 Clark street. Telephone red 331.

Mrs. Geo. R. Margraf and Mrs. H. Riley of Chicago are spending the holiday season at the home of their parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Johnson, in this city.

Victrolas for Christmas better be attended to now. We are able at present to supply machines from \$15.00 to \$150.00. We cannot supply the \$200.00 style, as none are to be had at present. Reton Bros.

Mrs. Chas. C. Alberston left for Minneapolis, Saturday forenoon, to join Mr. Albertson, who is on his way home from Los Angeles, Cal., where he expected to spend the winter, but found the climate not congenial and will return to the good old Wisconsin home.

Rev. W. B. Polaczky of Junction City left for Chicago last Sunday, where he has a couple of thoroughbred fowls entered in the great international chicken show. He had eighteen birds at the recent show held at La-Crosse, and all with one exception were awarded prizes, mostly firsts.

H. Kuepfer, who recently closed his dyeing and cleaning establishment at the corner of Strong's avenue and Ellis street, is now employed as a brakeman on the Soo. At present, however, he is assisting temporarily in a clothing establishment at Minneapolis, but will spend the holidays at his old home at Chippewa Falls.

Miss Kate Dobrynski, clerk and bookkeeper at E. Frank's fruit store for the past ten years, resigned her position last week and in a short time will leave for Superior, where she has secured a position. Miss Dobrynski has made many friends among our citizens since her connection with the Frank establishment and all will miss her genial presence.

The marriage of Jacob Jung, better known as "Cy" Young, the wonderful pitcher who was ball team last year, and who pitched for the East Chicago team last season, and Miss Celia Latus of Grand Rapids recently took place in Chicago and they are making their home in that city. The bride has visited here a number of times, and during Cy's stay here he was one of the most popular fellows in town.

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The State Tax. The downfall of nations has been brought about through extravagance and this bit of information is quite likely to cause alarm among the army of office holders at Madison, now that the news pertaining to the state taxes has gone out, says the Sheboygan Press.

A year ago some interesting figures were given by this paper showing the extravagance of state administration, and at that time a campaign was on and Governor McGovern on a visit to this city took occasion to criticize this paper and its editor, charging that only a half-truth had been told. He said the so-called state tax had been largely remitted. Now Secretary of State Donald has called upon Sheboygan county to raise as a state tax \$171,469.77, besides the special charges amounting to \$8,291.46. And accompanying the request is this bit of interesting information over the signature of Mr. Donald: "Excessive remission of state taxes last year is somewhat at fault." Not a word of explanation about the \$25,183.39 asked of Sheboygan taxpayers for the upkeep of the state university.

This year the tax payers will have plenty of time to reflect, as they are called upon to make up this large state tax, and when some of these office holders come around asking for your support, refresh their memory with what the additional tax meant on this county alone. Some of these office holders declared last year that the Press included all special taxes and this was a grave injustice to the administration. Just to please our friends on the other side the figures are given herewith for the past six years eliminating the special charges and not even including the \$25,183.39 for the upkeep of the state university this year. The tax is as follows:

1908	\$ 69,270.23
1909	86,844.99
1910	87,103.47
1911	82,513.91
1912	57,049.49
1913	171,469.77

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TWENTY-FIVE YEARS AGO

Articles and Items of News that Appeared in the Columns of The Gazette, Quarter of a Century Ago Today.

A little daughter, their second, was born to Mr. and Mrs. Henry Reading last Monday forenoon.

James L. Glennon and wife are the happy parents of a little girl, their first born, who arrived Monday morning.

Mary Elizabeth, wife of Geo. W. Clark, died at their home on the West Side last Sunday, after a prolonged illness, being in the 50th year of her age.

Miss Mina J. Powell, who made this city her home for several years, was married at Dancy yesterday afternoon to E. A. Ballard of Milwaukee. Misses Addie Wheelock and Fannie Callin of this city were among the guests at the wedding.

Mrs. Richard O'Keefe died at her home in Merrill last Sunday morning after being confined to her bed with consumption for the past three months. Her maiden name was Hannah Murphy and she was in the 25th year of her age. She was married to Richard O'Keefe five years ago, and leaves, besides her husband, two little sons, a sister, Miss Mary Murphy, one brother, Patrick Murphy, and an aunt, Mrs. Patrick Feheely of Stockton.

While walking near the Central track, just east of the machine shops, this morning, Martin Gabler was struck by passenger train No. 1, which reaches this city at 7:25 o'clock. Mr. Gabler and Matt. Lang were walking along together in close proximity to the track, and when the engineer sounded his whistle, Gabler, who was about 75 years of age and slightly deaf, no doubt became bewildered and stepped in front of the engine and was thrown about ten feet, striking the rail of an adjoining track and was killed almost instantly.

One of the most deplorable accidents, and accompanied by the greatest loss of life of any ever occurring in this city, happened at the Water works stand pipe at about 10 o'clock last Friday forenoon. At that time ten men, Chas. Myers, Albert S. Albus, Harry Sills, John Ellsworth, Edward Lawrence, John Rowe, John Smith, Frank Davitt, Wm. Cooney and Thos. Suran, were at work upon a staving on the inside of the pipe, 80 feet above the stone foundation. Some of the men were engaged in making an addition of ten feet to the scaffolding when suddenly one side of the staving gave way with a terrible crash and five of the men went down, four of them to meet death in their descent or when they reached the stone floor beneath, while the fifth, Edward Lawrence, received frightful injuries, but escaped death by falling on top of his more unfortunate companions. Those killed were Albus, Myers, Sills and Ellsworth. Mr. Lawrence was taken to his boarding house at John Corridan's and at present there is every prospect for his complete recovery. The bodies of the four dead men were taken to Grant's undertaking parlors and prepared for burial. In the afternoon the body of Mr. Myers was taken to his home on Brown street and Sunday it was taken to the town of Buena Vista for burial. The body

of Harry Sills was taken to Oasis, Waushara county, for burial and the body of Albert Albus was embalmed and sent to the home of his parents at Phillipsburg, Pa. Where the parents or relatives of John Ellsworth reside is unknown and his remains were laid to rest in the Episcopal cemetery Monday forenoon. Ellsworth, Albus and Sills were young men about 21 years of age, the two former having been engaged in similar work, the erection of stand-pipes, before coming here. Mr. Sills came here only two weeks before his fatal accident and had been employed on the stand-pipe just one week. Chas. Myers lived on Brown street in this city, was about fifty years of age and leaves a widow and three children.

Anniversary Celebration.

About one hundred members of Stumpf Lodge, I. O. F., their families and a few invited friends, enjoyed an anniversary and home coming celebration at their hall last Thursday evening, the event being informal and was spent in dancing, followed by the serving of a most palatable supper, under the direction of a committee composed of J. W. Moxon, Otto Reinke and Wm. Manthey, who performed well their part. The evening was one of the most enjoyable in the history of the order.

SUNDAY AFTERNOON FIRE

Residence of John V. Bakens on Strongs Avenue Badly Damaged—Origin of Blaze Unknown.

A fire that represented a loss of several hundreds of dollars, largely covered by insurance, practically destroyed the kitchen and woodshed at the residence of J. V. Bakens, 718 Strongs avenue, last Sunday afternoon. It being discovered at about 3 o'clock. At that time the place was a mass of flames, and when the owner opened a door leading to that part of the dwelling, the fire burned one of his hands and forearm and singed his hair. Only one of the hose companies was called, No. 2, and the members worked for nearly an hour before the blaze was completely extinguished. The contents of other rooms were also considerably damaged by water and smoke and if it had not been for the prompt response and hard work of the fire department, the residence would no doubt have been a total loss. The origin of the fire is unknown.

Naval Cadetship.

The State Civil Service commission of Wisconsin, at my request, will hold a competitive examination for a cadetship at the United States Naval Academy at Annapolis, at Waupaca, Wis. on January 3, 1914. All the young men of the district, between the ages of 16 and 24 years, are eligible to take this examination. For information blanks and detailed information write to the State Civil Service Commission, Madison, Wisconsin. Edward E. Browne, Member of Congress, Eighth Congressional District of Wisconsin.

Meeting With Success.

Many of our readers at Junction City and vicinity will be glad to learn of the success that has come to one of their young ladies at the State Normal school in this city. Kyren Kittleson is fast making a reputation for ability as a student here. This is evidenced by the fact that she has been chosen editor for her society, the Omicron, on the staff of the school's newspaper known as the "Pointer," editor of the Y. W. C. A. department in the same paper, and has full charge of the department of the Y. W. C. A. in the Senior class annual, the "Iris." She is strong in dramatics and in all kinds of literary work and enjoys a large popularity among her fellow students at the school.

STEVENS POINT NORMAL

Personal and Other Notes Gathered by The Gazette's Special Correspondent.

Prof. A. J. Herrick was out of school two days last week on account of illness.

Miss Margaret Harshaw, a teacher in Grand Rapids, visited the Normal on Saturday.

Regent Hamilton of Whitewater has issued a call for the physical directors of the Normal schools to meet in Madison this week to adopt a constitution.

Prof. Phelan and Principal C. B. Stanley of New London conducted an institute at Iola on Saturday. Prof. Phelan had charge of the history and economics.

The model school rooms under the direction of Misses Zeller, Vail and Parkhurst have been most appropriately and artistically decorated for the holiday season. Each room is unique in its way, and required careful planning and execution.

On Friday and Saturday next Dr. Maria Montessori of Rome, the friend of children, will speak in Chicago on her new system of education. Because of its great success and world wide popularity, the Misses Parkhurst, Vail and Zeller of the Normal will attend.

The Christmas recess begins Saturday, Dec. 20th. This will give students and teachers ample time to reach home for the holidays. To make up for the Monday and Tuesday before Christmas, classes were held on Saturday, Dec. 13th, and will be held on one Saturday after the reopening of school. School will open Monday, Jan. 5, 1914.

Rhetoricals have begun. A part of last Friday afternoon was given to a program consisting of four numbers. The first number was a song by a selected chorus. Three members of the Senior class appeared on the program. Edna Alley spoke on Indian schools, Miss Kenyon told of a deaf school she had visited, and Rex Rose now gave a talk on the Mexican situation.

Pres. John F. Sims conducted an institute at Alma on Saturday. It proved to be a strenuous program for one conductor, but a very instructive and interesting time is reported. During the afternoon a class exercise in picture study was given by Miss Florence Frost and class exercises in music were given by Misses Ila Karnopp and Olga Murat. Out of a total enrollment of thirty, twenty were former students or graduates of the Normal.

The second preliminary debate, "Resolved: That the rate of minimum wage be fixed by state authority," will be held Thursday evening, December 18th, in the Normal assembly room. The contestants are: Percy Dalfie, Vernon Beggs, Fred Hamilton, Wm. Mead, Frances Traxler and Mary MacGeorge. The contestants will be selected from this group to represent the Stevens Point Normal in the debate with the Oshkosh Normal, which will take place at Stevens Point some time in March.

The Home Economics Club of the Normal gave a public entertainment Wednesday evening, December 10th. At 7:30 o'clock there was a short program given in the assembly room, which consists of the following numbers: An address by President J. F. Sims; a description of Ellen Richards by Margaret Scherer; piano solo by Miss Olive Anderson; reading by Laura Cooper; reading by Charlotte Watson; vocal solo by Eva Lind. After the program the "Peaks Sisters" gave a pleasant entertainment in the gymnasium, which consisted of music and recitations. The gymnasium was prettily decorated. All who attended wish to extend their thanks to the club for the pleasant entertainment.

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Stranger Breaks Leg.

Chas. Yeck, a Lithuanian about 50 years of age, who claims to hail from Chicago, is now at St. Michael's hospital, where he was brought last Monday. While skidding logs for the Wausau Box Co. at Johnson Creek, Marathon county, Yeck's leg was crushed below the knee. The contractor or foreman brought the injured man to this city that afternoon. Yeck was employed for a time in the Soo line "steel gang" and later did section work at Marshfield. He worked at logging only a few hours when hurt. Several of his children, he says, live in Chicago, but it is likely that this city or county will be compelled to pay his hospital bills.

ELLIS

Mrs. Paul Gilmeister is on the sick list with the grippe.

Mrs. Frank Powelski has been confined to her bed for several weeks, but is rapidly recovering.

Rev. Bartholme celebrated thirteen hours devotion at St. Martin's church Tuesday and Wednesday.

Mrs. John Eiden attended the Lady Foresters' meeting at Stockton, Sunday, and was elected as one of the trustees.

Wasted Sarcasm.

Indignant Wives—I wonder what you would have done if you had lived when men were first compelled to earn their bread by the sweat of their brows. Indolent Husband—I should have started a little notion store and sold handkerchiefs.—Chicago Tribune

Flattering Epitaphs.

Charles Lamb, when a little boy walking in a churchyard with his sister and reading the epitaphs said to her, "Mary, where are all the naughty people buried?"

Woman's Triumph.

Before she is married a woman's idea of triumph is a man after marriage her notion of great achievement is to get him to go to church.—Athens Globe

That is every man's country where he lives best.—Aristophanes.

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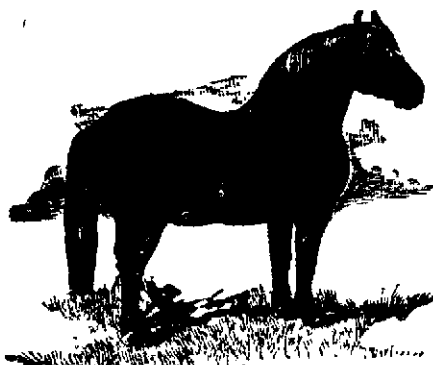
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My stables in Stevens Point will be closed until my return.

Wait my return and you will be pleased with the stock I will have on sale.

J. W. Shepard

Christmas Articles

Both Useful and Practical.

You will find at this store everything appropriate for a Christmas Gift

Ladies' Department

Dress Goods, Silks, Trimmings, Handkerchiefs, Ribbons, Laces, Embroideries, Underwear, Knit Goods, Gloves, Mittens, Scarfs, Furs, Veils, Corsets, Carpets, Rugs, Curtains, etc.

Men's Department

Clothing, Overcoats, Fur Coats, Fur-lined Coats, Mackinaws, Mufflers, Neckwear, Collars, Cuffs, Shirts, Underwear, Bath Robes, Sweaters, Hats, Caps, Gloves, Mittens, etc.

We are leaders on the above articles and carry the largest stock, and OUR PRICES ARE THE LOWEST.

401-403
Main St.

KUHL BROS.

Open Evenings
Until Christmas

FOR RENT—Store in Tack block on Strong's avenue, next door to Taylor's drug store. Call at 107 Brawley street.

FOR SALE—320 acres of fine grazing land in Keith county, Neb. Will exchange for shares in Bend Lake mining property. Land has a small incumbrance. Who will trade? Address E. A. R., care The Gazette.

FOR SALE—Typewriters, standard makes. Rebuilt like new. No. 5 (latest) Oliver, \$38.00. Tell me what you want and let me quote. Largest typewriter stock in Wisconsin. Joseph Kuchera, Almond, Wisconsin.

SAVE MONEY—Three hundred candle power light, one cent a night. Something new, just out. Call or address Victor Greps, 502 Brawley street, Stevens Point, Wis.

WANTED—Cabinet makers, bench and machine hands for large woodworking factory. Good wages. Steady employment. The Hamilton Mfg. Co., Two Rivers, Wis.

FOR SALE—Seven room house, barn and two lots. Corner Mathilda and Warner streets. Enquire 806 Clark street. M. H. Ward.

Chas. H. Cashin transacted legal business at Wausau, Tuesday.

A. E. Datoe was a business and social visitor at Hancock Tuesday.

Pendants—Beautiful pearl and diamond pendants at E. A. Arenberg's.

A full line of candies and nuts for the Christmas trade at Chas. A. Hamacker's.

F. O. Hodsdon, the milk dealer, is recovering from a genuine tussle with the grip.

Brooches—Our brooch line was never more complete than this Xmas.

The Boston store, 315 Main street, will remain open every evening during the week, until Christmas.

Miss Florence Kullock of the town of Almond has returned home after a visit of several days in the city.

Miss Julia Raiser, who is teaching at Lublin, Taylor county, will return tomorrow for the Christmas vacation.

Joe Kropidowski left on Sunday morning's Soo train for Virginia, Minn., where he will spend the winter.

Frank Guyant, one of Portage county's best former sheriffs, came up from Belmont and spent Monday in the city.

Miss Ruth Charlesworth is recovering nicely from an operation for appendicitis, performed at St. Michael's hospital on Tuesday.

Buckwheat feed is one of the best rations for milch cows. You can get it at reasonable prices. Call up 183, the Pagel Milling Co.

Only two more weeks to have your picture taken if you want them for Xmas. See our new styles. Martin & Co., 114 S. Third street.

L. G. Putman, the barber at 114 N. Third street, invites your patronage when wanting first-class work done. He guarantees satisfaction.

Miss Veda Parker has issued invitations for a six o'clock dinner to be given at her home on Brawley street, Thursday evening of this week.

When you are out doing your Christmas shopping, afternoon or evening, don't forget those elegant lunches served at the Palace of Sweets.

Mrs. J. J. Nelson, Mrs. L. A. Pomerooy, Mrs. C. M. Downell and Mrs. F. C. Shidel are Amherst ladies who visited in this city a part of Tuesday.

Mrs. E. E. Wells, who spent several weeks visiting her daughter, Mrs. Lyman Sexsmith, has returned to her home in this city from Glencoe, Ill.

Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Hetzel and four sons drove up from Almond in their automobile last Saturday and visited a couple of days among numerous relatives in town.

The jewelry store of E. A. Arenberg, which is undoubtedly one of the finest establishments of its kind in the entire state, will be open every evening before Christmas.

R. P. Purviance, who had been engaged in farming on the Buena Vista marsh for a few years, left here this morning for Lincoln, Ill., where he expects to spend the winter.

We have a beautiful line of goods to select from for Xmas presents—cut glass, china, framed pictures, dolls, burnt wood boxes, all up-to-date goods at Martin & Co.'s, 114 S. Third street.

Miss Helen Stemen is expected home next Saturday morning from Oberlin, Ohio, where she attends college, to enjoy the holidays with her parents, Rev. and Mrs. John A. Stemen.

The First National bank has received its annual shipment of new money, in gold pieces, \$2.50, \$5.00, \$10.00 and \$20.00; in currency, \$1.00, \$2.00, \$5.00, \$10.00 and \$20.00 and new pennies, nickels and dimes.

Mr. and Mrs. Byron Rogers of Plover returned Tuesday afternoon from a week's visit with their son, Elmer Rogers, at Tripoli, Oneida county. They also visited at Westboro with the lady's brother, Elmer Youmans.

In today's issue of The Gazette is published a table showing the amount of income tax assessed against individuals, firms and corporations in this county, and which will be found most interesting reading, something which might be retained for future reference.

Ernest Moore, who came from Livingston, Mont., a few weeks ago to visit his mother and brother at Plover, left here yesterday for Chicago and will then go to Camden, Ark. He may decide to take up a homestead near Camden or some other portion of Arkansas.

The Gazette is in receipt of a communication signed "Citizen of Plover," and it will be given space as soon as the writer discloses his identity, not for publication, but as an indication of good faith. Newspapers do not publish communications unless the name of the author accompanies them.

All the schools of the city close this week for a Christmas vacation of two weeks.

Joe Lukowich, who resides near Polonia, was a visitor to the city last Saturday.

Pendant neck chains—The very latest in pendant neck chains at E. A. Arenberg's.

Buy your mixed nuts, candies, dates, apples, figs and cranberries at Chas. A. Hamacker's.

Mrs. Guy E. Morrill and Mrs. R. D. Austin were visitors to Milwaukee the last of this week.

Mrs. F. O. Hodsdon and Mrs. W. W. Wade have returned from Minneapolis, where they spent a few days.

Peter Hoppen, a resident of Colby, but who had been in California for several months, is a guest of his son, George, on Strong's avenue.

Jas. Graham, who is employed as a brakeman on the Soo, was operated on for appendicitis at St. Michael's hospital last Saturday and is doing nicely.

Mrs. E. J. Pfiffner and daughter, Miss Ramona, left for Tomahawk last Thursday to visit for a few days at the home of their son and brother, J. Roe Pfiffner.

Reton Bros. show several distinctive patterns in Syracuse china. These goods they offer in complete dinner sets or in part, and patterns can always be duplicated.

The Gazette has been remembered by W. R. Callaway, of Minneapolis, general passenger agent of the Soo lines, with a pretty souvenir card replete with good sentiments, for the year 1914.

Geo. Lukaszevich of Foley, Minn., where he is successfully engaged in the real estate business, is spending a week visiting among relatives and friends in this city and at the old home in Stockton.

Mrs. Claude Potter of Nowata, Okla., who had been visiting in the city for some time, left for her home last Friday and was accompanied by her mother, Mrs. Anna Huth, who will remain there indefinitely.

Don't buy a phonograph till you have heard the Edison new concealed horn, within cabinet, genuine diamond point and new blue Amberol records that never wear out. For sale by Martin & Co., 114 S. Third street.

John Erin paid a fine and costs of \$25.00 in municipal court last Saturday for having destroyed muskrat houses, he having pleaded guilty to that charge, which was brought by Deputy Game Warden Kelsey.

Edward Nelson of Scandinavia visited in this city last Saturday with his uncle and cousin, A. M. and Geo. B. Nelson, while returning from a trip to northern Minnesota, where he inspected timber lands in which he is interested.

Frank and Walter Stankowski and Mrs. Wm. Drake arrived in the city the last of the week from Chicago on account of the illness of their sister, who underwent an operation at St. Michael's hospital one week ago and is doing nicely.

Mrs. F. H. Patterson was taken suddenly and seriously ill last Friday from the effects of pneumonia poisoning, contracted in some unknown manner, and although quite ill for a time, her many friends will be pleased to know that she is recovering nicely.

Just received, a new line of high grade Waltham pianos, which will be sold at a very reasonable price from now until New Year, and will give a discount of 5 per cent. extra for cash. Please step in and see this excellent lot of pianos. F. Hirzy, jeweler, 41 S. Main street.

Among the number from this section who were at Wausau Monday to attend the funeral of Anthony Guenther, included Mr. and Mrs. N. Kalaschinski, Miss Mary Tack, Mrs. L. D. Kitowski, Mrs. Alois Gross and F. A. Krembs of this city and Mr. and Mrs. Aug. Oesterle of Sharon.

Mrs. E. D. Glennon has been at the home of her brother-in-law, Eugene T. Downey, in Milwaukee, since last Saturday, leaving there to day for Chicago to visit until next Sunday with her son, Edward C. and family, and especially with her little granddaughter.

Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Klug of Milwaukee were guests at the home of the gentleman's brother, Andy, on Main street, Sunday and Monday. Mr. Klug, who is a former resident of this city, is now employed as a foreman in the C. M. & St. P. R. R. shops in Milwaukee.

Mrs. O. W. Drake, who has made her home in North Dakota for the past few years, has been a patient at St. Joseph's hospital, Marshfield, for some time, and Mr. Drake, who recently returned here from the west, spent Sunday with her. Mrs. Drake is gradually improving.

Wm. Kakuschke and Albert Morrill, well known residents of Linwood township, boarded Sunday night's train for the east, their destination being Norfolk, Va. They expect to spend a couple of weeks there and at Mosley Junction, Va., near which latter place are located W. G. Hulce and family, former local residents.

J. W. Shepard left for his old home at Valentine, Neb., last night, where he will make an extended visit and business trip, returning to Stevens Point about Feb. 1, 1914, with three car loads of horses, all suitable for spring work. In the meantime his sale stables at the corner of Normal avenue and North First street will be closed.

Dr. C. A. Purdon of Lisbon, N. Dak., and his sister, Miss Clara Purdon of Wahpeton, N. Dak., visited the Gunderson and Johnson families this week while enroute to Andover, Mass., to attend the wedding of their brother, Lieut. Frank L. Purdon, which takes place Dec. 26th. The young army officer is a graduate of West Point and for the past year or two has been an instructor at the academy.

Miss Brown of Menominee will begin a series of lessons in the new dances in the hall above Reton Bros.' jewelry store, Thursday evening of this week. All who desire to join the class are requested to report at the above hall between 7:30 and 8:00 o'clock tomorrow evening. Miss Brown received her instruction in the art of dancing at St. Louis and has conducted classes in several cities in Wisconsin with great success.

If you want good salted peanuts, buy those raw Jumbo peanuts at Chas. A. Hamacker's.

Cole Guyant of Belmont, a former deputy sheriff of this county, visited in the city today.

The jewelry store of Reton Bros. will remain open each evening during the week until after Christmas and customers can govern themselves accordingly.

Reton Bros. have and offer a very complete line of Victrolas and records. Our record list at your service and our knowledge of the whole Victor repertory help in your selection.

Dr. G. M. Houlehan and wife, John Martini and wife, G. W. Andrae and wife and Miss Irene Krembs spent Sunday at Wausau, making the trip in the Andrae car.

Harold G. Towne has been spending a few days in the city as a guest at the home of his cousin Mrs. Andy Klug. Mr. Towne is a printer and has been employed on one of the papers at Ballwin, Minn., for a number of years.

Miss Sophia Stankowski, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Michael Stankowski, who reside on Briggs street, was operated on for appendicitis last Wednesday evening, and although her case was a most serious one, she is now well on the road to recovery.

Andrew Yokers, Sr., of Buena Vista left for Sidney, Ohio, last Saturday, to spend the holidays at the home of his son, Andrew, Jr., who represents a medicine company, with that city as his headquarters. He will also visit his daughter, Mrs. E. C. Newby, at Eaton, Ohio.

Mrs. Wm. Holmes and daughter, Mrs. Bert Bowdish of Menominee, Mich., are spending a few days in the city visiting at the homes of the former's sisters, Mrs. E. M. Copps and Miss Leila Chandler, before proceeding to Denver and other southwestern and southern points to spend the winter.

Nugent Glennon, Miss Ivah Chapman, Walter Bruce and Miss Sophia Stankowski, four of our young people who underwent operations at St. Michael's hospital for appendicitis within the past couple of weeks, are all doing nicely and will soon be able to return to their respective homes. Miss Frances von Neupert, who underwent a like operation, was able to return home Thursday.

W. H. Bowersock of Milwaukee spent Sunday in the city, a guest of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Scott Bowersock. Mr. Bowersock, who left Stevens Point as a boy several years ago, is now traffic manager for the Vilter Manufacturing Co., the second largest manufacturing concern in the Cream City, the position being a most responsible one, requiring ability, tact and experience.

Rev. Wm. R. Brown, aged 75 years, died at the Wisconsin Veterans' Home last Friday, after an illness of three months' duration. Mr. Brown served in the 21st Wisconsin regiment during the war and became a minister of the M. E. church in 1879, and had been chaplain at the Home for a number of years before his death. He was a native of Windham county, Vermont. The funeral took place at New Richmond on Sunday.

Mrs. John Ray and daughter, Dorothy, came over from Grand Rapids this morning and spent the day at the home of the former's sister, Mrs. N. P. Bonertz.

Come and get your Christmas presents at F. Hirzy's jewelry store, 418 Main street. Special prices will be made from now to Christmas. Open every evening.

Mrs. C. W. Copps left on Monday for Redburg to spend the holidays with her parents, Rev. Dr. and Mrs. S. N. Wilson. Mr. Copps will also go down for Christmas.

Mrs. L. M. Durga, Mrs. John Wesley and Mrs. Wm. Franson of Grand Rapids, spent today with the first named lady's sister, Mrs. Budd, on Plover street.

Reton Bros. have received and offer a fine line of antique and modern cameos in brooches and lavaliers. Anyone interested in antique cameos, please step in and ask to see them.

Mrs. A. W. Prain of Plover was quite sick with pneumonia for a couple of weeks, but her condition is now improved and she will soon be well again, it is a pleasure to state.

J. J. Heffron is building a cement block garage at the rear of his home on Clark and George streets and will have it completed within a few days, thanks to the favorable weather.

The Brooks Stock Co. will close a three nights' engagement at the Grand this evening with "The Little Minister." The company is a good one, and although this is their first appearance in our city, they have been receiving very liberal patronage.

Rev. J. H. Tippet of Appleton, district superintendent, will conduct services at St. Paul's M. E. church next Sunday. As Dr. Tippet is a former pastor here, an eloquent speaker and an esteemed gentleman, unusually large congregations are expected.

The many suggestive ads. contained in this week's issue of The Gazette will be helpful to our readers in their selections of Christmas gifts. By careful perusal of them you will be greatly assisted out of your dilemma as to what to get your friends for Christmas. And by doing your shopping early, you will not only have the choice of a better selection, but you will save yourself and the sales people much fatigue.

While on the witness stand in his own defense in a case brought against him by Mrs. Alice McMillan of Oshkosh, ex-Lieut. Gov. John Strange almost collapsed, due to a nervous breakdown, and could not resume his testimony for a couple of hours. The plaintiff charges that Mr. Strange used unfair means to secure stock from her in a paper company in which he is interested. Mr. Strange has been in poor health for some time.

Minister G. Jaquim of Rome, Italy, spiritual director of the Order of Sorrowful Mother, arrived here Tuesday morning from Marshfield to visit a day or two with the Sisters at St. Michael's hospital. The distinguished guest is enroute to Roswell, New Mexico, to spend the winter. The hospital Sisters are also entertaining their Mother Superior, Sister Mary Johanna of Rome, who is on an inspection trip to the various branches of the order throughout this country.

To Meet All Demands Incidental to the Coming Season, One's Income Should Be Guarded Carefully.

We can do this better than the owner. It is our business to do so. What you may expect from a bank, we give you. We also give our customers absolute security in a conservative and safe management, and the benefit of our long experience of over thirty years. You get a foothold on prosperity when you start a bank account here.

The reason so many are poor is because they never try to be anything else.

The Best Christmas Present

for a boy or girl, your sister or brother, your niece, your nephew, your cousin, or anybody else, would be a savings account with this strong bank. You can start the account in any name you wish for \$1, \$2 or as much more as you like. This entitles you to one of our Home Savings Banks. Call and get one for your boy or girl. We pay interest on savings accounts and certificates. A checking account with us would save you money. Pay by check—it will benefit you as it has others. A checking account here gives a systematic record of all business transactions in detail. You intend to save—start NOW. All business confidential.

First National Bank

OF STEVENS POINT, WIS.

CAPITAL and SURPLUS \$125,000

Established in 1883

U. S. Depository

The handsome new home erected for Mrs. W. L. Arnott on Reserve street, between Main and Clark, is now practically completed and will be occupied by Mrs. Arnott and daughters, Misses Lillian and Grace, the first of next week. The building was erected by W. H. Allen and speaks well for his ability as a contractor.

Nick Wagner, one of Stockton town ship's best known farmers, has been a patient at St. Michael's hospital since last Thursday and will remain there another week. His stay at the hospital is the result of coming in too close contact with the deadly corn shredder, one of Nick's hands getting caught in the machine and tearing the flesh in a frightful manner. The inner part of the hand from wrist to fingers was torn and there are several bad gashes on the back. A complete recovery is looked for in time.

RATE SHIPPING

Cut rates on household goods to Pacific coast and other points. Superior service at reduced rates. The Boyd Transfer Co., Minneapolis, Minn.

Mrs. V. W. Purdy arrived home Sunday from Kirksville, Mo., for the holidays.

OUR MARKETS.

Grain and feed quotations are given us by telephone every Wednesday noon by the Jackson M. & Co. Elevator Co. and furnish prices of various other goods. The following are the prices of various goods at Wausau. Prices are subject to change without notice and may be subject to change without notice.

Wheat	\$ 5.00
Barley	5.20
Oats	5.00
Rye	3.75
Flour	5.75
Wheat	5.75
Oats	1.40
Barley	1.30
Rye	1.20
Flour	1.70
Wheat	1.70
Oats	1.25
Barley	1.25
Rye	1.25
Flour	12.00
Wheat	15.00
Oats	20.00
Barley	24.50
Rye	17.50
Flour	5.00-7.50
Wheat	4.50-9.50
Oats	3.50-4.00
Barley	6.00-9.00
Rye	12.00-13.00
Flour	4.5

Christmas Time Is Gift Time

Everyone should be happy with the thought of making others happy. The Christmas spirit is everywhere, especially throughout our store. We have prepared extensively for the holiday season which is now upon us. We specialize in useful articles and at the same time have them appear attractive and different. Let us name over a few of the many articles to be found in our store.

FURS FURS Odd Muffs, Odd Scarfs, Matched Sets 25 different kinds of Fur \$1.00 up to \$50.00	SILK HOSIERY Kaiser's Silk Hose will not run Phoenix Silk Hose are guaranteed Prices 50c to \$1.50 Infant's Silk Hose 50c	BATH ROBE BLANKETS All the best shades, complete with loops, frogs and cords. Size 70x86 Price \$2.50
FREE PILLOW TOPS Beautiful Pillow Tops, Runners, Bags, Center Pieces. GIVEN FREE Ask about it	FANCY RIBBONS A most beautiful line of Christmas Ribbons Combinations and widths to suit everyone 1c to 75c the yard	INFANTS' MITTENS In pink, blue, white, scarlet, black, etc 10c to 50c Children's Kid Gloves Price, \$1.00
KIMONOS Silk, Crepe, Flannelette Kimonos Prices \$1.00 to \$5.00	FANCY APRONS A beautiful line of Fancy Aprons Many the combination style 25c to \$1.00	HANDKERCHIEFS As usual we have the finest line in the city Children's, Ladies' and Gentlemen's All in boxes 1c to \$1.50
A very large and attractive line of Sewing Sets, Darning Sets, Pin Cushions, Hair Receivers, Mirrors, Clocks, Dolls, Sachet Bags, Hats, Pins, Ties, Collars, Traveling Bags, Powder Boxes, Pins, Brooches, Hat Pin Holders, Head Dresses, Mesh Bags, Playing Cards, Needle Books, Boats that Float, Tie Holders, Etc. Etc.		
WAIST PATTERNS Embroidered on crepe. Assorted designs Each in a Christmas box Price \$1.00	INGERSOLL WATCHES The best Boys' Watch in the world Stem wind and set \$1.00, \$1.50, \$2.00	TIE RINGS Keep your Neckties in good shape Eight different styles 50c, \$1.00, \$1.50
SUSPENDERS Each pair in a Christmas box 50c, 75c, \$1.00, \$1.50	SWEATERS We can give you anything in the Sweater line Prices 50c to \$8.50	NECKTIES Every one in a Christmas box 50c

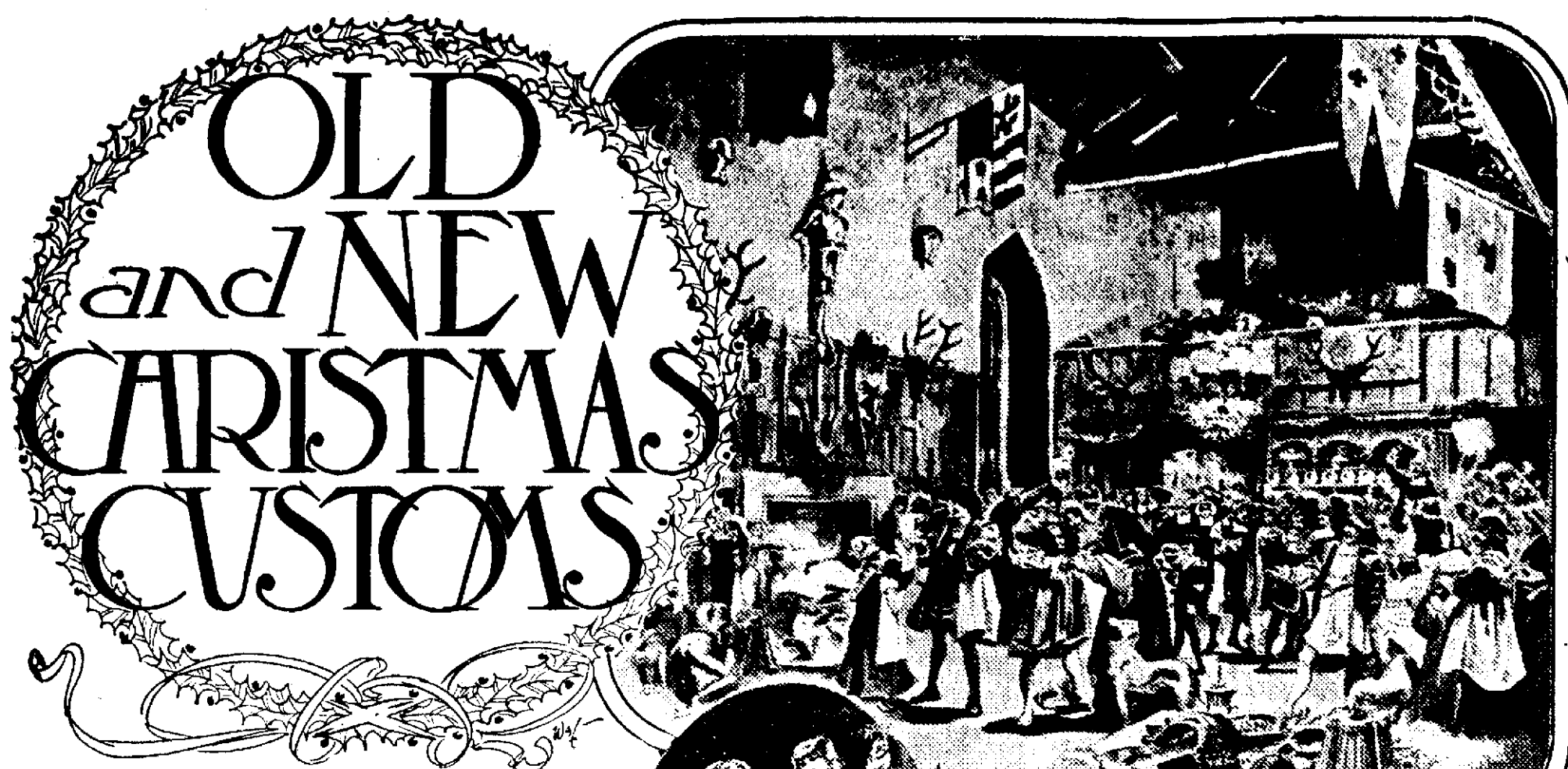
A Dress Shirt, a Pair of Shoes, a Leather Suit Case, a Soft Silk Shirt, a Pair of Silk Sox, a Mackinaw Jacket, a Belt, a Cap, a Suit of Clothes, a Couple of Night Shirts, a New Hat, an Overcoat, an Umbrella, in fact any useful article is appreciated. We can box any of the hundreds of little articles in Christmas boxes at your request. Come in and let us help you make your selections.

Dependable Merchandise

Philip Rothman & Co.

DRY GOODS ETC.

Dependable Merchandise



HERE are two days of supreme importance to all Christendom when, no matter what the difference in creeds, the whole Christian world unites in the observance of what are rightly regarded as the most significant anniversaries in the year. On Easter and Christmas all the churches are at one.

The story of the first Christmas is so universally known that it needs no repetition, and one hesitates to repeat it for fear of marring the beauty and simplicity of the original narrative. The story of the origin of the observance of Christmas is quite another thing, however, and may be approached in a more mundane spirit. We take part in the time honored customs which are so intimately associated with the day without stopping to consider whether they had their inception in the Christmas idea or whether they ever had any other significance than they now have. We trim the Christmas tree, distribute our presents, decorate with holly and mistletoe and sit down to a big dinner, and if we ever stop to think why we do these things (and it is more than likely that we don't) why, it is just the Christmas custom and that's all there is to it.

But it is very far from being all. The customs which seem such an integral part of the festival are inextricably tangled up with Roman, Scandinavian, German and Celtic customs, in which very many of them had their origin. Our Christmas, when we investigate it, is found to be a melting pot of pagan traditions and practices without number, purged of their old significance and adapted to the higher faith.

The observance of the contemplation of the countless variety of customs associated with Christmas in all lands, both in the past and the present day. To describe them all would fill a good sized book, so we can only refer briefly here to some of the most prominent of them.

The early fathers of the church, however much they might have desired to banish all pagan practices from the exercises of religion, were perforce obliged to allow their converts to retain part of the old usages. It was an impossibility to put an end to them, so they wisely decided that it was better to let the people follow their bent along certain lines rather than to antagonize them by insisting too strongly on a course which they were bound to oppose. The more glaringly heathenish rites were eradicated, and those which remained were purged of their more objectionable features and infused with a new spirit.

Christmas was not observed at all, so far as we can find any record, for 200 or 300 years after the birth of Christ, and as the event had occurred in such a humble fashion men were quite unable to determine its date when they began to interest themselves in keeping the anniversary. There is not a month in the year for which some authority has not claimed the honor of the nativity. One thing is certain, and that is that it could not have occurred on the 25th of December, as this date is the height of the rainy season in Judea, as in California, and it is quite unlikely that the shepherds could have been watching their flocks by night under those conditions.

The first attempt on record to assign any date for the nativity was made in Egypt about 200 A. D., when May 29 was the date mentioned. From that time forward claims were made for various dates, January 6 and December 25 being the most in favor up to the time of Chrysostom in the fourth century, when the latter gained the preference.

This date was not chosen entirely without reason. The celebration of the winter solstice was one of the chief festivals of Rome, and among the Celts and Germans it was regarded with even greater significance. The sun, as the giver of light and heat, and consequently of life, has been an object of worship and adoration from the remotest times down to the present day; therefore the period of the winter solstice as marking the renewal of the power of the sun was a time of rejoicing among all peoples who either worshipped the sun directly or who regarded it as a manifestation of one of their deities. The 12 days between December 25 and January 6 were regarded as extremely important by the Teutonic races, who believed that at that time the influence of the gods was more powerfully directed toward the earth than at any other. Nothing could be more natural, therefore, than that these peoples, on turning to Christianity, should fix the commemoration of the appearance of the Saviour on the earth at the same time of year they had been accustomed to acknowledge the glory of the sun. The significance of the two events is parallel; the one heralds new life to the physical world and the other the deliverance of the human race from the powers of evil.

It has been pointed out that in the early period of the church it was considered wise to allow the converts to retain some of the old customs. The observance of Christmas was therefore encouraged as a substitute for the pagan festivals, in particular for the Roman saturnalia, which occurred in December and which was so popular that while it originally lasted for one day only (the 17th), it was first extended to three days and later, under the Emperor Claudius, to seven. The festival was opened by public sacrifice before the temple of Saturn, followed by a great public banquet, in which all classes participated. From this time all the people seemed to go mad; the complete liberty prevailed and it was a time of universal festivity and merry making. Crowds swarmed through the streets shouting "To Saturnalia," a form of greeting similar to the modern "Merry Christmas." It was a holiday time in the widest sense; schools and law courts were closed and the senate adjourned; no criminal was executed and no war was proclaimed. The slaves enjoyed an equality with their masters, and even served them at the table. The people occupied themselves in calling on one another, in exchanging presents and attending banquets. There was always one day especially devoted to the children, a custom to which we may trace the particular significance of Christmas to children down to the present time.

Certain other practices of the Saturnalia which Christmas has preserved related to candles, images and cakes. Candles were always in evidence at this time, as were small images made either of baked clay or dough. The Germans today always make a practice of baking great quantities of all kinds of Christmas cakes, which are an important and indispensable adjunct to the occasion.

The custom of decorating with evergreens at Christmas has the tradition of ages back of it. As far back as history goes people have been in the habit of using flowers and greens in all sorts of festivals. The use of the mistletoe, however, is a survival from the ancient Celts and Scandinavians, to whom it was an object of particular veneration at all times and especially when it grew on an oak. When found growing on this tree the Druids cut it with solemn ceremonies and used it in their sacrificial rites. It was believed to possess magic qualities of potent power. It is still potent, but only in the matter of conferring privileges.

The first historic mention of a Christmas tree was made in Strasburg in 1605, but the Danes go farther back than that. They have a sweet old legend relating to the time when Ansgar first preached Christianity to the Danes, wherein is told how the Lord sent his three messengers, Faith, Hope and Charity, to help light the first Christmas tree. They sought for one that should be as high as hope and wide as love, and that bore the sign of the cross on every bough and they finally found it in the balsam fir.

Beliefs which have been cherished for ages generally die hard, and the church, realizing this, introduced other practices into the old customs which survived from paganism. Such were the miracle plays and dramatic representations of early events in Christ's life, which received great attention during the middle ages and of which the Christmas carols may be considered an offshoot. These enjoyed great popularity throughout all Europe, but particularly in England, where in many villages today it is customary for troops of men and boys, called the waits, to go from door to door singing

carols for several nights before Christmas.

Similarly in some of the country districts in France the children make the rounds of the village, carrying a little cradle on their backs and singing carols for pennies.

Santa Claus is not as familiar a figure in France as he is among us. There, instead of handing up their stockings to be filled by him, they place their shoes in front of the fireplace on Christmas eve, so that the Christchild may leave their presents in them.

In north Germany, however, it is not the Christchild who gives the presents, but his servant, Knecht Ruprecht. This individual is usually represented by a man who clothes himself in a white robe and high boots, a mask and an enormous wig. So attired he presents himself at the door and announces that he is sent by the Christchild to distribute gifts among the children. The parents receive him ceremoniously, and he inquires whether each child has been good, and if the answer is in the affirmative the child receives his presents; but if not, Knecht Ruprecht gives the parents a stick with the advice to use it often.

In Belgium the children go about carrying paper stars with a lighted candle in the center from Christmas to Epiphany, to commemorate the appearance of the star of Bethlehem. There is a similar practice among some of the natives of Alaska belonging to the Greek church. A procession of men, women and children is formed, at the head of which is carried a large figure of a star covered with brightly colored paper. Two men also march at the head, carrying lanterns on long poles. The procession makes the rounds of the village stopping at each house, where the marchers are invited to come in and take refreshments. They always accept and after singing a carol or two they march on to the next house. This performance is kept up through Christmas week, but after the second night it is varied by the introduction of a new feature. The star bearers are pursued by men and boys, who try to catch them and destroy their stars, and while the significance of the game is supposed to lie in the fact that it is a representation of the soldiers of Herod killing the children of Bethlehem, the players are mainly concerned in the opportunities for a frolic which it affords and bother themselves little about the event it is supposed to commemorate.

The old custom of burning the yule log still endures in certain parts of Europe. It is an outgrowth of the feast of Jul among the ancient Scandinavians, when every winter at the solstice they kindled enormous fires in honor of the god Thor. Among the Slavonians of southeastern Europe the bringing in and burning of the yule log is an elaborate ceremony. Some time during the week before Christmas, or on the day before, an oak or beech tree is selected, but on account of the superstition that such trees are endowed with souls it is necessary to observe certain precautions while cutting it down. The hewers must wear gloves throughout the whole proceeding and before they dare lay an ax to the tree they must face the east and cross themselves three times, and in felling it they must take care that it falls toward the east. Evil consequences will follow if they do not chop off a chicken's head on the fresh stump, using the same ax with which they cut down the tree. The first chip is the prize of the housewife, who preserves it to put under the cream dish, so that the cream will be rich and abundant during the year.

After sprinkling the newly hewn log with barley to insure good crops for the coming year it is ready to load on the ox wagon and the homeward journey is so timed that the house is not reached until after twilight falls. The housewife is on the lookout for it and as soon as she sees it coming she hastens to hide the table, the spoons, the fire shovel and the dining chairs, which are not brought to light again until the log has been kindled.

It is generally about midnight when the log is brought into the house, and it is received at the doorway by the father, who wishes his family a "Good morning and merry Christmas" three times. They, on greeting him in turn, shake over him some barley and, this ceremonial having been observed, he drags the log up to the hearth by means of a chain wound around it. In case the log is brought into the house before evening three sticks are cut from it and leaned against the eastern wall, where they remain, crowned with ivy, until the log is burned out.

The log must be paid marked respect by everybody up to the very last if good luck is to be enjoyed during the year, and no one had better approach it barefooted unless he wants to condemn himself to a whole year's suffering with sore feet.

Christmas eve is distinguished by feasting and if a visitor appears he is sprinkled with grain from a sieve by the master of the house, in return for which greeting he places three candles wound around with gold and silver thread in the bottom of the sieve. These are lit at the beginning of the meal and when everybody has had his fill the master of the house extinguishes them with a bit of bread dipped in wine.

Much more could be told concerning the way Christmas is observed in different localities and many curious beliefs and practices would thus be brought to light. Some can be traced directly to a purely Christian source; the origin of others is unexplainable, and very many prove to be relics of the ages preceding the introduction of Christianity. The features briefly touched upon above are only the skimmings of innumerable usages relating to this one day. There is no other day in the year about which such a great variety of traditions and observances cluster, for there is no other day which people so delight to commemorate and none which is regarded with such deep and universal veneration.

FIGHT FOR PEACE

REPRESENTATIVE BARTHOLOMT IS BY NO MEANS ALONE NOW IN CONGRESS.

WAR SCARES ARE EXPOSED

Senator Thomas of Colorado on the Commercializing of National Rivalries and Race Antipathies—Hensley Attacks the Naval League.

By GEORGE CLINTON.

Washington.—In the past Representative Bartholdt, Republican, of St. Louis, has been looked upon in Washington as the chief prophet of peace in the house of representatives. Now Democrats, including one from Dr. Bartholdt's own state, are to be found ready to stand with the original proponent of concord to take the offensive in order to conquer a lasting peace.

There will be Democratic members this winter, it is believed, who will be found ready to oppose the administration's plan for material increase in the naval strength of the country, and not only this, but who will be willing to advocate at once measures intended to do something definite to bring about disarmament throughout the world.

Even men who keep a little more than a careless watch on legislation in Washington long ago recognized that the time for the appearance of war scares is simultaneous with the appearance of the army and navy appropriation bills. It is charged occasionally that armament makers and dealers in munitions of war are the prime sponsors for rumors of war and for tales intended to show the utility of the hope of peace. It is said that members of congress finally have been quickened to an appreciation of the real reasons for the dark pictures of the future which are drawn upon the Washington canvases yearly at the hour when money is to be asked for battleships, guns, bombs and powder.

There are senators and representatives who believe that peace throughout the world can be brought about by legislation. Such an end means concord of action by the legislatures of all the countries, an ignoring of the pleas of war lords and militants generally, and a common refusal to appropriate money in order that these sons may kill the sons of other men.

New Advocates of Peace.

Representative Hensley of Missouri when he introduced his resolution asking support for Winston Churchill's naval holiday plan proved that he is willing to stand as an advocate of amity. Senator Thomas of Colorado is another recent accession to the seemingly growing number of men at the capital who think that peace is desirable even if it shall put out of business some of the men who fatten their purses through the manufacture of deadly weapons. Senator Thomas has said:

"Commercialism has laid its hands upon national rivalries, both actual and potential, upon national ambitions and possibilities, upon the Monroe Doctrine and the balance of power; upon the antipathy of the races; upon the conflict of democracy with absolutism; upon the opposing religions of neighboring peoples; upon the jealousies of rival cabinets—and has capitalized them all."

"It has issued its common stock upon the passions and ambitions of men as an asset. It has divined the policies of monarchies and republics and entered the possible results in its ledgers. It has formed and organized a war trust and sold or distributed its securities where they are not only received, but bring substantial results."

"It manufactures and sells all sorts of articles designed for the wholesale slaughter of man, for the devastation of countries and for the making of widows and orphans. It reaps harvests of gold by clearing the way for other harvests of blood and tears. It owns gun factories, ship yards and naval supplies in every country of the world that has a sea coast and a treasury. It has placed its dollar mark upon patriotism and left its toll impartially on both hate and fear."

Hensley on the Naval League.

Representative Hensley of Missouri is "nationally local" and personal in what he says about the same general situation:

"Last year when the naval appropriation bill was pending I called the attention of congress to the existence of the Naval League and its activities. Among other things I pointed out to members on both sides of the house, because there is no political division on this question, that J. P. Morgan, Jr., was treasurer of this association. My attention has recently been called to the fact that, on account of this publicity quite likely, he is no longer an officer of the league."

Apparently it is the Missouri representative's belief that direct attempt is being made to foster sentiment in favor of increased armaments and that this is done largely for selfish commercial purposes.

Honors for Canal Builders.

It seems to be the intention of congress to take up quickly a bill introduced by Representative Adamson of Georgia which has for its object recognition by the United States the men who have been on the job and who have carried it to completion.

Obviously the men whom congress expects to honor cannot say anything in support of the bill. It can be said definitely, because it goes as a matter of course, that there will be no objec-

tion entered by any member of the engineering or sanitary forces on the bitumens to a measure which extends to them the thanks of congress, the highest honor which can be given to an American citizen.

Under the terms of the Adamson bill these men are named as deserving that the thanks of congress, which means of course the thanks of the people of the United States, be given them for their work: Col. George W. Goethals, chairman and chief engineer; Col. William C. Gorgas, sanitary officer; Lieut.-Col. H. F. Hodges, Lieut.-Col. William L. Sibert, Lieut.-Col. David Du R. Galliard and Commander H. H. Rousseau.

Promotion With Retirement.

There is a second provision to the Adamson bill which provides for promotion on retirement of the officers who are named, but promotion and retirement which are to come only at the will of the president of the United States. In other words, what may be called a material reward provision of the bill is dependent upon the wish of the president and dependent also upon the interests of the service. Under this second provision the president is authorized to retire two of the army officers, who of course will be Colonel Goethals and Colonel Gorgas, with the rank and pay of major general, and to retire the other three army officers, Colonels Hodges, Sibert and Galliard, with the rank of brigadier general. The retirement of Civil Engineer Rousseau, who is a "civilian" naval officer, is authorized with advancement to the rank and pay of rear admiral.

One of the features of the second provision is that while it promotes the builders of the Panama canal and gives them material reward, the promotion can come only with retirement and this means that the advance in grade will not in any way interfere with the promotion of other officers of the army and navy in the regular order of the service. They will not be jumped over the heads of any of their brother officers who today are their superiors in rank. The bill seems to be carefully drawn, and the belief seems to be that it will meet with the approval of the people of the country.

Lawmakers Kept Busy.

Congress passed without so much as a pause from the special session to the regular session and it has abided of it as much hard work as ever encountered a law making body of the United States. The Democratic majority will find all kinds of matters to engage its attention from this time henceforward, and it may be that when the present administration has ended it will be found congress virtually has been in continuous session.

If President Wilson follows his established rule he will keep senate and house working away until the completion of the legislation which the Democrats have promised. The representatives in congress show at times a sort of a desire to be slow in their work, but Mr. Wilson kept on prodding and there are few symptoms to show that he intends to stay the hand that prods.

It is a long list of legislative matters which the Democrats have prepared in accordance with their duty of obedience to the commands of the platform which was adopted at Baltimore.

Program for Congress.

Here is a list of things to be done, only partial perhaps, but containing the main subjects of legislation which are now in sight:

Finish up currency legislation. Amend the Sherman law to make imprisonment certain for violators, and to restore competitive conditions to the business of the country.

Establish a system of rural credits which will help the farmer financially and keep him from the clutches of the grasping money lender.

Authorization of government construction of four hundred miles of railroads in Alaska, and the opening up under government supervision of the wealth of that territory.

Legislation which will give the Filipino people a larger measure of home rule, with a definite promise of future independence with a time set for their first "Fourth of July."

The extension of the parcel post system. There is already legislation which will make this possible, but congress must bulwark it with appropriations.

Authorization of a congressional inquiry into the high cost of living.

Proposal of a resolution for submitting to the people a constitutional amendment making the president ineligible for re-election.

Legislation to honor fittingly the men who have built the Panama Canal—Goethals, Gorgas, Hodges, Galliard, Sibert, Rousseau.

Authorization of two new battleships for the United States navy.

These are the principal pieces of legislation which the Democrats have in view. If they are as deliberate in enacting each important measure into law as they were in sending the tariff bill through to a passage and in discussing the currency, it will be Thanksgiving Day again before adjournment comes, and even if it shall come then, the chances seem to be, in view of the present state of things legislative, that the record of accomplishment at turkey time next year will not be great.

Obscure.

"Then it is understood you will join our party on Saturday? We must have you—the best shot in Paris—for the opening of the hunting season. But what will you do about your business office?"

"That will be easy enough. I shall just put up a sign: 'Closed on account of the opening.'"—Le Figaro.

AGRICULTURAL EDUCATION IN WESTERN CANADA

THE LATEST METHODS ADOPTED
BY THE AGRICULTURAL
COLLEGES.

Scientific farming can be pursued with more profit and advantage in Western Canada, probably than in any other portion of the continent. What may be achieved by it may be ascertained when it is known what has been accomplished by the thousands who have been following the occupation for some time and made a success of it with not even a theoretical knowledge. They "have tilled the land with a hoe" and become rich. But the question is how long could that continue. The soil and the climate and every other condition favor great results by a pursuit of such methods as a technical and practical knowledge will bring. There is in the writer's opinion no possibility of failure. Fully aware of this and also of the great potentialities that exist in Western Canada for the following of the profession of farming, as it could be developed and carried on in Western Canada, the various governments have established the machinery, that there may be developed a class of farmers, who in the possession of the rich soil of that country, with its abundant humus and its phosphates and other properties, will make of the country, the greatest farming portion of the known world. The Dominion government showed its paternalism years ago when it established experimental farms in Manitoba and Saskatchewan. The benefits of these in the matter of practical education have been widespread, but the greatest benefit is to be observed in the immediate vicinity of these farms, where the occupants have brought their holdings into a high state of cultivation, and year after year see an added value.

The Province of Manitoba is supplementing this work by its excellent agricultural college, manned by professors of the highest standing in their various branches. That this work is appreciated is shown by the large attendance, not only of the farmer's sons, but by the farmer himself and also by the sons of business men and professors who intend following farming as a profession, and that is what it is fast becoming.

The Province of Saskatchewan, alive to the necessity of a higher and a better system of farming, has in connection with its university an agricultural college and what it is doing today in the matter of education will be felt for all time to come, and it will not be long before it will be an easy matter to pick out the farms manned by graduates of this college, or the farms owned by those who have gained from the experience taught by their neighbor.

The same may be said of Alberta. The university at Edmonton has a complete agricultural college. Full advantage of this is taken, by hundreds of students anxious to better their agricultural knowledge, and fit them to take hold successfully of the lands that they expect to occupy. This province has also added demonstration farms in various parts, which are very successful, inasmuch as farmers visit them from all parts, and take advantage of educating themselves for short periods during each winter.

Dean Curtiss of Ames Agricultural College, Iowa, says:

"We of the United States think that we know how to get behind agriculture and push, but the Canadians dare to do even more than we do in some respects. They have wonderful faith in the future; they hesitate at no undertaking that offers prospects of results. More significant still is the wide co-operation for agricultural promotion, including the government, private individuals and corporations and the railroads."

"Canadians are putting great faith in education for the development of their resources—not the old education, but vocational and technical. Provinces that have less than half the population of Iowa and much less wealth are appropriating more liberally for colleges and schools. Manitoba, for instance, has in the last two years provided about as much money for the building of an agricultural plant as Iowa has appropriated in half a century. It has given in two years \$2,500,000 for buildings and grounds for its agricultural institutions."

"Saskatchewan is building a plant for its university and agricultural college on a broader and more substantial plan than has been applied to any similar institution in this country. Yet neither province has more than half a million population."

"For public schools equally generous provision is made. They are being built up to give vocational and technical training as well as cultural. They fit the needs of the country excellently and should turn out fine types of boys and girls. They do this with a remarkable faith in the value of right education."

"Dean Curtiss was much interested in the many other ways the Canadian government aids agriculture, aside from appropriations for educational purposes. They are aiding in solving marketing problems; they are encouraging better breeding of livestock by buying sires and reselling them at cost, and they are doing many other things of like character."

"I found that the government is advancing from 50 to 85 per cent. of the money necessary to build co-operative creameries and elevators," said Dean Curtiss, "and it is doing it at a low rate of interest and on long time payments. Where cattle need breeding up, the government buys bulls of

dairy, Shorthorn, or special dairy breeds and sends them in at cost price and on long time payments."

The yield of grain in Western Canada in 1913 was excellent but not abnormal, wheat going from 30 to 45 bushels per acre, and other small grain with equally good averages.—Advertisement.

HAD HIS PRAYER ANSWERED

Butcher's Only Regret Was That the Idea Had Not Been Suggested to Him Before.

A butcher whose business had been steadily declining, owing chiefly to a rival having set up on the opposite side of the street, confided to his minister that he saw nothing for it but to close his shop and leave the town.

The clergyman suggested that perhaps he had not made any serious effort to retain the trade; but the butcher replied that he had done all he knew without success.

"But," said the minister, "have you tried the effect of prayer?"

No, he had not thought of trying prayer, but he would do so before putting up the shutters.

A week elapsed, when the minister, chancing to pass the butcher's shop, found him radiant with delight.

"Well," the cleric asked, "did you try the power of prayer?"

"Oh, yes," was the reply, "and I only wish I had tried it before. I prayed the very night you left me, and on the following morning the beggar over the road broke his neck."

CASE OF MAN'S INGRATITUDE

Woman Certainly Had Poor Reward for Her Act of Generous Self-Sacrifice.

George R. McCallan, former mayor of New York, was talking about Thanksgiving.

"The day," he said, "is a good one for a holiday—a good one, for a visit to the seashore."

"I was once walking the Boardwalk in the brilliant sunshine of an Atlantic City Thanksgiving day afternoon, when I saw an over-dressed couple come forth from a cafe."

"They were quarrelling. Their voices grew louder and louder. Finally the man gave the woman a push that actually knocked her down."

"As she struggled to her feet the woman shook her fist at the man and shrieked:

"And this is what I get, is it, for paying the fly screens to give you a day off?"

He Was Real Nasty.

A dorky employed as an office-boy came to work one morning with a face that looked as though it had been run through a meat-grinder.

"Henry," demanded his surprised employer, "what in the world happened to you?"

"Well, suh, boss," explained Henry, "I got into a little argument last night with another nigger, and one thing led to another till I up and hit him. Well, suh, it seemed lak dat irritated him. He took and blacked both of mah eyes and bit both of mah years mighty high off, and split mah lip and den he throwed me down and stamped me in de stomach. Honest, boss, I never did get so sick of a nigger in mah life!"

The Knocker.

After God had finished the rattlesnake, the toad and the vampire, he had some awful substance left, with which he made a knocker. A knocker is a two-legged animal with a corkscrew soul, a water-logged brain and a combination backbone made of jelly and glue. Where other people have their hearts he carries a tumor of rotten principles. When the knocker comes down the street honest men turn their backs, the angels in heaven take precipitate refuge behind their harps, and the devil bar-locks the gates of hell.—Missouri Brunswick.

Hard to Understand Woman.

"O, you can't please a woman," he said, disgustedly; "it's no use trying."

"What's happened now?"

"I met that pretty Miss Sweet in a dark hallway and kissed her. I didn't think she'd mind, you know."

"And she did mind?"

"Well, she pretended to be very angry, so I thought I'd smooth things down by telling her that it was all a mistake; that I thought she was somebody else."

"And then?"

"Why, then she really was very angry."

Short Division.

"Pupil L'Harcot, if I cut a beef-steak in two, and then the halves again in two, what do I get?"

"Quarters, sir."

"Good! And then again?"

"Eighths."

"All right! And then again?"

"Sixteenths."

"Exactly! And then?"

"Thirty-seconds."

"And then?"

The Boy (out of patience)—Hash.

Almost Too Considerate.

A corporal was drilling a stupid squad, with whose drilling the colonel had just found fault. The corporal said: "I tell you fellows this much, if you don't do any better we shall drill all day, have field practice at night, bivouac afterwards, without fire, without cooking, without straw and with the temperature down at zero."

"Why don't you let it rain, too?" asked a voice from the ranks.

Nothing is more satisfying to the heart of a woman than the knowledge that she is looking her best.

IMPLEMENT MEN OPEN CONVENTION

MORE THAN 300 DELEGATES PRESENT AT OPENING IN MILWAUKEE.

EIGHTH ANNUAL GATHERING

Machinery Display in Auditorium—President's Address Delivered by R. H. Brewer of Ripon—Officers to Be Elected.

Madison—Wisconsin Retail Implement and Vehicle Dealers' association opened its eighth annual convention in the city of Milwaukee.

Headquarters are at the Auditorium, where the manufacturers are holding an exhibit.

More than 300 delegates were present at the opening session.

R. H. Brewer of Ripon delivered the president's address. The state association will elect new officers before the close of the convention.

The present officers are: President, R. H. Brewer, Ripon; vice-president, James R. Watson, Fond du Lac; secretary and treasurer, F. R. Sebenhall, Eau Claire. Directors: William Victoria, Muskego; Herman Fessenden, Black Earth; Earl Robbins, Eau Claire; L. H. Waite, Seymour; and Gustav Horhardt, South Milwaukee.

Crowds thronged the Auditorium, arena the opening day of the convention. More delegates inspected the varied exhibits than attended the business sessions held.

The exhibit hall contains a hundred booths in which are everything of need to the farmer from a package of seed to a gas engine.

Preparing for 1914 Auto Season.

With the fiscal year at an end, the issuing of licenses for auto vehicles and dealers in the office of Secretary of State Donald has practically closed.

The record shows licenses issued for the year, together with the revenue derived as follows:

Automobiles, 1913 at \$5.00, \$178,200; Motorcycles, 1913 at \$2.00, \$12,200; Dealers, 1913 at \$5.00, \$1,000; Total, 1913 at \$10.00, \$191,400.

On August 1, the new increasing fee for dealers from \$5 to \$10 went into effect, which accounts for the two rates for that class.

Auto license is issued in 1912 numbered 11478, an increase of 19008 to 1913.

The revenue from license is used in the building and repairing of highways.

Secretary of State Donald is preparing for the rush season of 1914. Already over 100 applications have been received. The new number plates are to be in yellow back ground with embossed white figures.

Badger Man Honored.

The alfalfa growers of the country, mindful of the advantage of co-operation, recently organized the National Alfalfa Growers' association. The aim of this organization is to create a more general interest in the growing and use of alfalfa, to encourage the study of alfalfa as a forage crop, to determine more economical ways of handling and feeding alfalfa and otherwise to encourage alfalfa growing.

Dr. J. E. Cheeseman of Racine was elected one of the vice-presidents of the new association, and R. A. Moore and L. F. Graber of the College of Agriculture, H. E. Krueger of Beaver Dam, E. H. Webster of Port Atkinson and Peter Schwartz of Waukesha were chosen as directors.

According to Mr. Graber, who is the secretary of the Alfalfa Order of the Wisconsin Agricultural Experiment association, there is not a county in Wisconsin in which alfalfa is not grown, and this forage crop is constantly becoming more and more popular with Wisconsin farmers.

Meeting Ends in Milwaukee.

The annual meeting of the Associated Trust Companies of Wisconsin, at the offices of the First Savings and Trust company in Milwaukee, resulted in the election of the following officers:

President—E. B. Steensland, Madison. Vice-President—G. P. Stickney, Milwaukee.

Secretary and Treasurer—R. L. Smith, Milwaukee.

Twenty-one delegates were present, those from outside of Milwaukee being G. A. Knapp, E. J. Ferry and H. R. Potter, Fond du Lac; E. B. Steensland and L. M. Hanks, Madison; John Boland, Green Bay; W. H. Purnell, Kenosha, and Judge Emil Baensch, Manitowish.

G. P. Stickney was elected vice-president of the trust section of the American Bankers' association.

Articles of Incorporation Filed.

Articles of incorporation were filed in the office of Secretary of State Donald as follows:

Port Wing Fruit Growers and Farmers' association, Port Wing; capital, \$1,000; incorporators, Erich Johnson, Olat Rodeen, S. A. Swanson, Oscar Olson, G. W. Cochrane.

The Sturgeon Bay Land and Development company, a Minnesota corporation, with \$25,000 capital, all in Wisconsin, filed a statement to do business in the state.

Fewer Children Attend School.

The school census of the state, announced by State Superintendent C. P. Cary, shows there are 723,304 children of school age in Wisconsin. This is 3,169 less than the number reported last year. The reduction is accounted for by the greater accuracy of the reports, duplications being almost entirely avoided.

Madison county leads the list with 138,688, as compared with 125,913 last year. Dane county is next with 23,044, compared with 23,362 in 1912.

Officers Elected by State Grange.

Nearly the entire category of political and economic reforms advocated in state and nation were endorsed by resolutions adopted by the 100 delegates of the State Grange of Wisconsin. Patrons of husbandry in session at Rhinelander.

Resolutions were adopted favoring the principle of the referendum and recall, improvement of the income tax law, woman suffrage, supervision of guarantee of bank deposits, extension of the system of county agricultural representatives, government ownership, improvement in parcel post and direct vote of people for presidential nominees.

The convention also favored a more liberal policy of the state in assisting new settlers in clearing land and protested against what they called the Griffith policy of appropriating agricultural lands for forestry purposes.

Antigo was chosen as the next convention city in 1914.

Master, H. M. Culbertson, Medina; overseer, William Menning, Appleton; lecturer, Emma Wilde, Rhinelander; steward, P. Gillette, Antigo; chaplain, A. C. Powers, Beloit; treasurer, Arthur Krause, Allenville; secretary, George H. Dawes, Tomahawk Lake; gate-keeper, E. K. Riek, Rhinelander; Ceres, Mrs. Eva Howe, Antigo; Pomona, Mrs. Martha Bogenreif, Washburn; Flora, Mrs. Susie McIntosh, Rhinelander; member executive committee, H. Howe, Antigo.

Preparing for Poultry Show.

Interest in poultry raising will be given an added impetus in this state January 5th, when the Wisconsin Poultry association will hold its tenth annual exhibition at the live stock pavilion in Madison.

It is thought that 1,500 birds will be shown by the various exhibitors from all parts of Wisconsin.

The officers of the Wisconsin Poultry association are: President, Frank Sawyer, Arkla; first vice-president, M. C. Gerard, Stoughton; second vice-president, J. F. Johns, Dodgeville; secretary, James G. Halpin, Madison; treasurer, William H. Milward, Madison.

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Collecting for State Exhibit.

Work on the collection of \$2500 to defray the expenses of a Wisconsin exhibit at the Christiania, Norway, in 1914, has been started by Alfred Oppenhusen, of Eau Claire.

Mr. Oppenhusen is attempting to secure \$250 pledges from fifty citizens of the state.

222 Fires During November.

November fires were more numerous and total losses larger than in the same month last year, judging from State Fire Marshal Clem P. Host's monthly report. Fires number 222 as against 187 in November, 1912, and losses \$176,041, compared with \$258,330. Total insurance on damaged properties is \$50,075 as against \$1,610,325 for the same month last year.

Except for fires from unknown causes 134 matches proved the most prolific source of fires reported. Carelessness with children and mice with matches resulted in 10 fires and damage of \$2,087.

Condition of Labor Market.

The depression in the labor market noted in the reports of the state free employment offices in October became marked in November. For every 100 jobs there were 145 applicants for employment during this month. In October there were only 107 and in November of last year there were only 101 applicants for every 100 jobs.

The women's department of the employment offices for the first time in several years shows a greater supply of labor than demand. For every 100 women wanted there were 113 applicants for work in November, whereas a month ago the applicants numbered only 88 and in November, 1912, only 93.

In Favor of Earlier Fair.

Arguing that the holding of the annual state fair during the last week in August would result in better race attractions, larger exhibits and greater attendance, Secretary James C. McKenzie of the state board of agriculture, upon his return from Chicago, said he favored the earlier date. Mr. McKenzie attended the annual meeting of the Western Fair and Exposition association in that city.

A meeting of the board will be held at Hotel Pfister in Milwaukee about December 15, when the definite date will be set. The board is not bound by the action of the association and considerable discussion of various dates is expected.

Late fairs, said Mr. McKenzie, are usually attended by racing men and exhibitors who have been disappointed by failure to win at the earlier fairs.

LEFT THE COLONEL THINKING

Probably After This He Made Some Inquiries Before He Gave Up His Money.

A certain old colonel was noted for his great generosity. He had lost an arm during one of the engagements in which he had seen service, and this made him very sympathetic toward all who had experienced similar losses.

While walking on his estate one day he met an old one-legged man, evidently in abject poverty.

"Ah, you have met with a great misfortune, like myself, I see," remarked the colonel.

"Ah," replied the old man, "and, like yourself, colonel, I have spent a great part of my life in government's service, and seen a lot of hard work."

"My poor man!" exclaimed the kind hearted colonel, as he pushed a half dollar into the old man's hand, "I fear you have received but a poor reward for your services."

"Ye may well say that, colonel," replied the veteran as he hobbled away.

"But," added the colonel, "you didn't tell me where you served."

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"Nothin'," said Pat, one of the deck hands. "Nothin' ma'am—ut looks to me as if the captain just forgot that we stop here."

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"And now?"

"Now he can't even find ground for a divorce!"—Judge.

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"Did your barber do anything on your head with that hair restorer?"

"Well, he made a bald pretense."

LEFT THE COLONEL THINKING

Probably After This He Made Some Inquiries Before He Gave Up His Money.

A certain old colonel was noted for his great generosity. He had lost an arm during one of the engagements in which he had seen service, and this made him very sympathetic toward all who had experienced similar losses.

While walking on his estate one day he met an old one-legged man, evidently in abject poverty.

"Ah, you have met with a great misfortune, like myself, I see," remarked the colonel.

"Ah," replied the old man, "and, like yourself, colonel, I have spent a great part of my life in government's service, and seen a lot of hard work."

"My poor man!" exclaimed the kind hearted colonel, as he pushed a half dollar into the old man's hand, "I fear you have received but a poor reward for your services."

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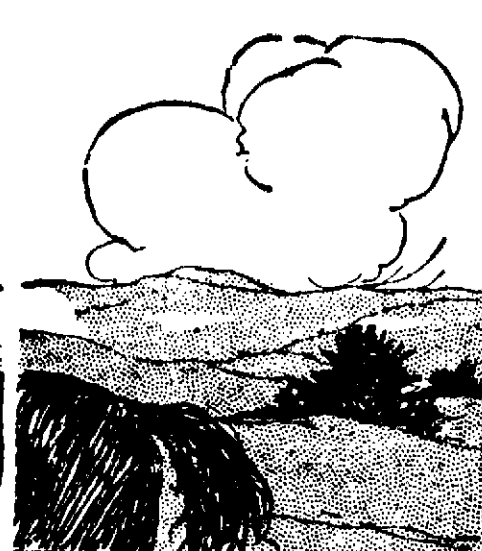
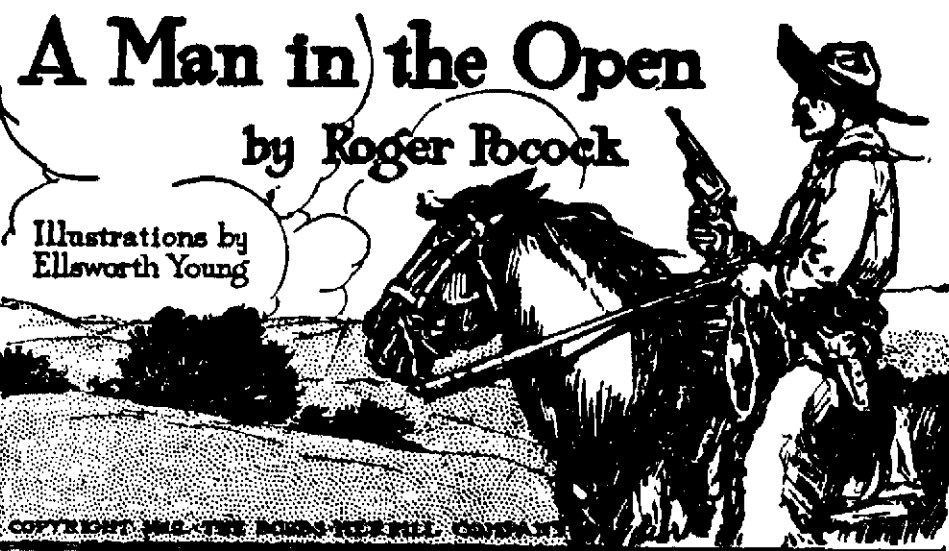
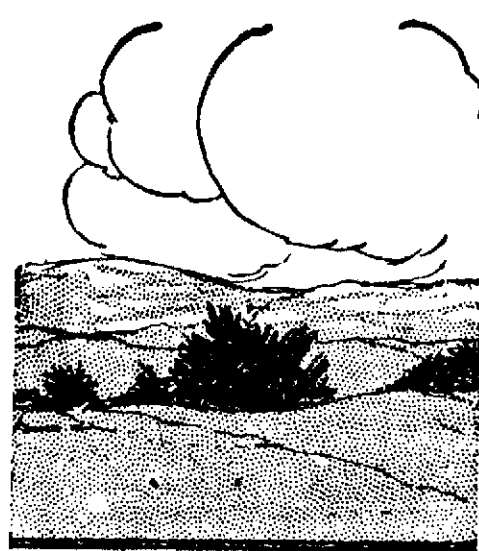
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A Man in the Open

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SYNOPSIS.

The story opens with Jesse Smith relating the story of his birth, early life in Labrador and of the death of his father. Jesse becomes a sailor. His mother marries the master of the ship and both are lost in the wreck of the vessel. Jesse becomes a cowboy in Texas.

CHAPTER III.—Continued.

Yes, when I look back on them radium nights entertainments along with Bull Durham, I see now what a success they was in learning me to ride. "What you need," says he, "is confidence. Got to forget mere matters of habes corpus, and how your toes point, and whether you're looking pretty. Just trust you horse to pull through, so that you ain't caught in the flower of youthful innocence, and hung on the nearest telegraph pole."

Once I been to a theater, and seen a play. That's act one, with fifteen minutes hoping for act two. That's act after act till you just has to fill up the times between with injun war-whoops, until act five, when all the ladies and gents is shot or married. It just can't go on. So the audience says, "Let's go have a drink," and the band goes off for a drink, and the lady with the programs tells you to get to hell out of that.

It's all over. The millionaire Lord Bishop of Durham is only Bull's father-in-law. Bull's not exactly a cow-boy yet—but assists his mother, Mrs. Brooke, who is chief at a ranch. Bull won't be quite popular with his mother for having gorgeous celebrations with the hundred dollars she'd give him to pay off a little debt. I'd better not come to the ranch after leading mamma's boy astray from the paths of virtue.

There's the dust of Bull's horses way off along the road, and me settin' down by the wayside. A dog sets down in his skin, half handy for wagging, all his possessions around him I ain't even got no tail.

CHAPTER IV.

The Ordeal by Torture.

The Labrador was good to me, the sea was better, the stock range—well, I'd four years punching cows, and I'm most surely grateful.

The world in them days was peopled with only two species, puncher and tenderfoot, the last being made by mistake. Moreover, we cow-boys belonged to two sects, our outfit, and others of no account. And in our outfit, this Jesse person which is me, laid claims on being best man, having a pair of gold mounted spurs won at cyards from Pieface, our old foreman. I'd a rolled cattle, double-rig Cheyenne of carved leather, and silver horn—a dandy saddle that, first prize for "rope and tie down" again all comers.

Gun, belt, quirt, bridle, hat, gloves, everything, my whole kit was silver mounted and everything in it a trophy of trading, poker, or fighting. Besides my string of ponies I'd Tiger, an entire black colt I'd broke—though I own he was far from convinced. Add a good pay-day in my old blind pocket, and I've think I'd own up to them twelve apostles for uncles? I've know what glory is? Well, I suppose mostly consists of being young.

Time I speak of, our outfit had turned over three thousand head of long-horns to the Circle S and rode right into Abilene. That was to take the train for our home ranch

conviction telling me this place ain't good for kids. It's the foreman sent me off with a message.

I rolled my tail, and curved off with Tiger to take in the sights of the town. He shied heaps, and it's curious to think why he objected to sign-boards, awnings, lamp-posts, even to a harmless person lying drunk. Then a railroad engine snorted in our face, so Tiger and me was plumb stampeded up a little side street. It's that that he bucks for all he's worth, because of a kneeling man with a straw hat and a punctured soul, praying abundant. Of course this penitent turned round to enjoy the bucking match—and sure reveals the face of my old friend, Bull Durham. We hadn't met for years, so as soon as Tiger was tired, Bull owned to finding the Lord, and being stony busted, ask if I was saved. I seen he'd got 'em bad, and shared my wad of money level with him. So we had cigars, a pound of chocolate creams, an oyster stew, and he bought a bottle of patent medicine for his liver. We shared that, and went on, he walking by my stirrup to the revival meetings.

This revival was happening at a barn, so I rode in. Tiger, you see, needed religion bad, and when people tried to turn him out, he kicked them. You should just have heard what the preacher told the Lord about me, and all the congregation groaned at me being so young and fair, with silver harness, and the hottest prospects—just as Pieface always said when I was late for breakfast.

They had a great big wooden cross upon the dais, and somehow, I dunno why, that made me feel ashamed. A girl in a white dress was singing "Rock of Ages"—oh, most beautiful, her arms thrown round the cross, the sun-bright hair about her like a glory.

The sight of girls went to my head like liquor, and this one was surely good with her sun-bright hair, her cheeks flushed 'cause I stared, her sulky lips rebuking when I throwed a kiss, her yellow-brown eyes—

Oh, had I really washed behind my ears? Suppose I'd got high-water marks! Was my hands—I whipped off my gloves to inquire. That's what's the matter, sure. Got to make good before bein' introduced. Got to get a move on Tiger. I swung, spurred with one spring through the doors, yelled "Injuns!" and stampeded, scattering gravel and panic through Abilene. I just went like one man for our cook wagon down by the railroad corral.

Now, for all the shaving-glass could see, I was nice an' clean, but then that mirror has small views, and I'm not taking risks, but stripped and scrubbed all over. The place was so durned public I blushed from nose to heels till I was dressed again, shining my hair and boots. Then I procured an extra special, cherry-red, silk scarf out of the wrangler's kit.

Some of our boys made friendly signs as I passed on my way back, and fired a few shots after me for luck, but I'm no time to play. I joined the revival meeting just as the hat came round, so penitent sinners making for the door, came back to stay and pay because of Tiger. I gave Bull ten dollars to hand to the hat, only he passed it into his own pocket. He seemed annoyed, too, saying, "Waste not, want not." Then he explained how the fire-escape only paid Miss Ellis fifty dollars a day, whereas he was making hundreds.

Just then she passed, and I got introduced. "Say, Polly," says Bull, "here's Sailor Jesse wants to get acquainted."

She stopped, sort of impatient for supper, and velvet-soft her voice, full of contempt. "Another damned suppliant?" she asked, and Bull was holding a light for her cigarette. "Is it saved?" she added.

I couldn't speak. I wanted to tell her how I despised all the religion I'd seen, the bigots it made, an' the cowards. I'd rather burn with the goats than bleat among the sheep even now.

"Oh, that's all right, then," she said as though she answered me, and frank as a man she gave her hand to shake. "Good stunt of mine, eh?" Although I own I'd like to have that cross stage-managed."

She passed the weather, admired Tiger, talked Browns and Jones with Bull, turning her back on me, asked him to supper, walked off with him, an' that's all. Egg-shells throw'd in the ash-heap may feel like I did then.

Nobody loved me, 'cept our pony herd, inquirin' piteous for food an' water. Our boys, of course, was drunk by then, just sleepin' 'war they'd fell, so I was desolate as a moonlit dog-howl, ridin' herd with my night horse whar Polly's little home glowed lights across the prairie. I seen Bull and the preacher leave there toward midnight, walkin' sort of extravagant into town. The lights went out. Then times I'd take some sleep, or times ride herd guardin' her little home, till the cold came, till the dawn broke, till the sun came up.

It was half past breakfast when I seen Bull again, on his knees like yes-

terday, a-puttin' up loud prayers, which made me sick. "Rehearsin'," says he, "'cause Polly's struck, and I'm to be chief mourner."

He was my only chance of meetin' Miss Polly, when a guy comes buttin' into our conversation. He'd ruffled sleeves to his pants, and was all dressed saucy, standing straddle, aiming to impress. "Oh, whar's my gun?" says Bull.

This person owned to being a gentleman, with a strong English accent. He'd 'undreds of 'orses at 'ome in 'Ammersmith, but wanted to own an 'ack 'ere, don'tcherknow.

So Bull lifts up his eyes to Heaven, praying, "Oh, don't deliver us from temptation yet!" Whereas I confided with this person about Bull being far gone in religious mania. I owned Bull right though, about my bein' a sailor, timid with 'orses; and he seen for hisself the way I was ridin' my Sam 'orse somethin' dreadful. Told me I'd ought to 'old my 'ed 'igh instead of 'umpin'. It's in toes, down 'eels, young feller, an' don't be 'ard on the bally hanimal. He'd gimme lessons only I was frightened, but out away from town the ground was softer for fallin', an' I gained courage. Happens Miss Polly's house was opposite. I scrambled down ungainly, shoved a pebble in along Sam's withers, and let this gent explain just how to set an



It Slued Him Around as He Dropped.

'ard-mouthed 'unter. You 'olds 'is 'ed placin' the 'and on the 'orn of the saddle, so. Then hup! That pebble done the rest.

Now, it's partly due to this 'ere entertainment, and the diamond ring I gave her, that Miss Polly began to perceive me with the naked eye, and said I might come to supper.

And that evening was most surely wonderful, in a parlor all antimacassars and rocker chairs with pink bows. There was champagne wine, the little cigarettes with dreams inside, and a bottle no bigger'n my thumb smellin' so fierce it well-nigh blew my head off. Oh, it was all so elegant and high-toned that I got proud of being allowed indoors.

Her people was real society, her poppa an army general, ruined by the war, her mother prime Virginian. But then she'd gone on the stage, so there was mean suspicions.

I hold suspicion to be a form of meanness when it touches women. My mother would have shied at naked ladies, and dad was powerful again cigarettes. As for the smell, so fierce it had to be bottled, I'll own up I was shocked. But then you see mother and dad, an' me being working people, was not supposed to feel the high-toned senses which belongs with wealth.

It's not for grade stock like me to set up as judge on thoroughbreds, or call a lady immoral for using a spoon whar I should need a shovel. So it happened that in them days, while I rode guard upon Miss Polly, no man in Abilene could speak to her, or mention her name to me until I give him leave. She got to be known as Sailor Jesse's girl, and any person touchin' on my kill was apt to require a funeral.

It was the seventh day she married me. I know, because Bull, acting as best man, claimed a kiss, which she gave him. "Bull," says she, "didn't I bet you I'd marry Sailor Jesse with-in a week. You owe me twenty dollars." I saw the joke was on me.

I came to marriage pure as any bear, or wolf, or fox, expecting to find my mate the same as me, gettin' and fever of life, true to the earth, and fearless in doin' right.

Folks said I was young to marry at nineteen, but full nine years I'd earned my living, fought my way, and done my share of making happiness. I'd been served with a mouth full wide enough for laughin', a face which made folks smile when I was sad, eyes to see fun, the heart to take a joke if any offered, and when things hurt, I wasn't first to squeal. No; as long as the joke was on me I done my best to take it like a man.

But suppose—Well, I'd best explain that the English tenderfoot was at our wedding breakfast, and gettin' encouraged, he put up his best prize joke. He was all hoo, hoo, hoo at first, so funny he couldn't speak, the fellows

waitin' each with his grin gettin' stale, and Polly laughin' just to encourage him on. Then words got out which made the boys uneasy. Jake Haffering, the Bar T foreman, told the hog to shut up, while others moved to get clear. I was sort of stupid, wanting the point explained, couldn't believe it possible the joke was on my wife, although I'd rose by then, with gun hand free. Then I saw, but the room seemed dark, and the tenderfoot all indistinct, backing away, and reaching slovenly for weapons, while my bullet smashed in his shoulder. It slued him around as he dropped.

It was old Jake of the Bar T who spoke out then, and spoke straight.

"My boy," says he, "put up your gun. That's right. This here tenderfoot is bleedin' by spurts, arterial. Bull, see if Doc Stuart is sober." Bull ran for the doctor. "Only a tenderfoot," says Jake, "insults a cow-boy's wife—which is death from natural causes. Ma'am," he wagged his finger at Polly, "'tain't long since you come among us. 'Tain't more'n a day since you told me and others present that you was marryin' for fun. You laughed at warnings, and this here Jesse would have shot the man who warned him. You are a lady, and this boy you married for fun, is goin' to see you treated as a lady. I own he got rattled first shot, missin' this tenderfoot's heart, which ain't up to average practice; but it's time you began to see the point of the joke."

They took the tenderfoot away, and we were alone, me watching the pool of red blood turning brown. Polly sat drummin' tunes on the table, her face turned white, staring out through the window at the noon heat of the plains. I remember I took a bottle of champagne wine, filled a big goblet, and drank it off. It made me laugh to think she'd taught me drinkin', so I had another. "I see," says Polly, "I understand now." At that she began to scream.

I should have told you, that after our boys of the Flying Zee quit Abilene, I pitched a little A tent on the prairie back of Polly's house. Thar I could see my ponies at grass, and snuff the air clear of that stinkin' town.

But from the time I moved into the house, thar was something disturbin' my nose—something uneasy—oh, I don't know what it was, back of all house smells, which gave me a sense of evil, so I could hardly bear to stay indoors.

Comin' from town one night—she'd sent me there—I seen a man's shadow cross the parlor blind. I fired, missin' a fool's act, for it warned him, and gave him time. The lamp was out before I reached the house, and Polly with some hysterics getting in my way.

It wouldn't be sense to show a match guidin' the stranger's aim, or to stand against a window, or make sounds. Rather I stood right still, and after a while Polly surprised herself into a dead silence. I couldn't bear that man, or feel, or see him. I sensed him. Can't explain that—no. You just feel if a man stares hard. I fired at that. Then Polly, of course, went off into all sorts of fits.

Next morning I tracked blood sign to the hospital. Seems a young person from the bank had took to conjuring and swallowed lead.

It was still before breakfast that I told Polly to pack her dunnage, 'cause

we was moving out from Abilene. I claimed I could earn enough to keep my wife without her needin' to go out into society.

"On cow-boy pay?" she said laughin'. "On forty dollars a month? I spend more'n that on champagne. Here you Miss Jesse, who's payin' for this—you? Who keeps you, eh, Miss Prunes—and—prisms? Shamed of my bein' a lady, eh? I am a lady, too, and don't you forget it. And now, git out of my home."

I struck a match to the bo-kay of paper flowers, heaped on the hand-painted pictures, the paper fans, the rocker chairs, and slung the coal-oil lamp into the flames; then while she tore my shoulder with her teeth, I carried her to my tent. "That's your home now," I said, "the home of an honest working-man," I said, "and if another tough defiles my home, I'll kill you."

The house-warming gathered the neighbors, but she had no use for neighbors. Only they seen the line I drew in the dust around that tent, the dead-line. Afterward if any man came near that line, she'd scream.

But she'd taught me to drink, an' I drank, day after day, night after night, while she sat frightened in the tent, meanin' when I came. Only when she was cured could I get work, not while I had to watch all day, all night.

She swore she loved me, she vowed that she'd repented, and I believed until she claimed religion. I'd seen her breed of religion. I'd rather have her atheist than shamming. She would keep straight, and be my faithful wife if I'd quit drinkin', if I'd only take her away. But she'd married me for a joke, and false as a cracked bell she'd chime out lines and lies, knowin' as I knew that if she'd ever been the thing she claimed, I'd come into her life too late. How could she be the mother of my children, when—I drank, and sold my ponies to buy liquor, for there was no way out.

And by the time I'd only Tiger left, one night came Bull to find me just as dusk was fallin'. I was drunk, too, scarce knowin' what he said, just tellin' him to shut up and have a drink. Polly's bin hurt? Well, that's all right—have rye—Polly's been shot? That's good, we'd all have drinks. Was she dead?

She was dead.

And I was sober then as I am now.

"Murdered?" I asked.

"Jesse, she shot herself."

"Is that so?"

"Through the brow—above the eyes. Come, Jesse."

Next thing I was standing in the tent door, and it was so dark inside I had to strike a match. The sulphur tip burned blue, the wood flared, and for that moment, bending down, I seen the black dark hole between the eyes, the smear of drying blood. Then the match went out, and I—that was enough.

I gave Bull what I'd left, to pay for burial.

Then I was ridin' Tiger all alone, with my shadow drawin' slowly out ahead as the moon waned.

CHAPTER V.

The Burning Bush.

Among the Indians, before a boy gets rated warrior, he goes alone afoot, naked, starvin' thirsty, way off to the back side of the desert. Thar he just waits, suns, weeks, maybe a whole moon, till the Big Spirit appears to catch his eye. Then the Big Spirit shows him a stick, or a stone, or any sort of triffin' common t'ing, which is to be his medicine, his wamoom, the charm which guards him, huntin', or in war.

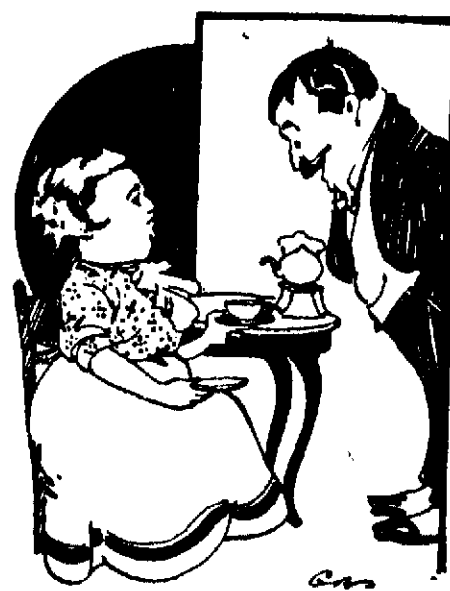
Among them Bible Indians you'll remember a feller called Moses, out at the back side of the desert, seen the Big Spirit in a burning bush. Later his tribe set up a medicine lodge, and the bull story's mighty natural.

This Indian life explains a lot to men like me.

Many find peace in death, only a few in life, and I found peace thar in the wilderness, the very medicine of torn souls, fresh from the hand of the Almighty Father.

(TO BE CONTINUED.)

OTHER KIND OF TEARS



Mr. Smithson—I went to see a performance of "Othello" last night and I don't believe I have a tear left in my system today.

Mrs. Johnson—Does a tragedy generally make you cry?

Mr. Smithson—This one did. It was by an amateur company, and I laughed until I cried.

A DIFFERENCE



Mrs. Naylor—I hear that you are breaking in a new cook.

Mrs. Wyatt—Well—er—we have a new cook, but she's doing most of the breaking.

VERY MUCH BUSINESS



Old Mr. Gotrox—Didn't you see that sign out there, "No admittance except on business?"

Tom Allnerve—Sure, I came to ask you for your daughter's hand.

GENTLE HINT



Jack—Just to think, I have been calling here seven years and Cupid has been lurking around the old sofa all that time.

Ruth—Gracious! The little fellow must be gray by this time.

CIRCUMSTANCES ALTER CASES



Barney—Do you believe that boys ought to be whipped occasionally?

Wange—Well, I did until mine went into football.



Yelled "Injuns!" and Stampeded.

down south, and I hoped to get back to my dog pup Rockyfeller. And yet I'd never before been on a railroad, and dreaded the boys would find out how scared I was of trains.

I lit in Abilene with a blush, and just stood rooted while a guy selling gold watches reads my name graved on the saddle, and then addresses me as Mister Smith. Old Pieface, scared for my morals, did kick this person sudden and severe, but all the same that Mister went to my head.

The smell of indoors made my stomach flop right over while we ranged up brave at the bar for a first drink. The raw rye felt like flames, though the preserved cherry float in it tasted familiar, like soap. At the same time the sight of a gambling lay-out made my pocket twitch, and I'd an inward



TALK ON SCHOOL WORK

Secretary Kittle of Board of Normal Regents Delivers Scholarly Address at Recent Faculty Meeting.

Secretary Kittle of the Board of Normal School Regents addressed the faculty of the Normal at a special meeting held recently. The subject of his address was an outline of a proposed reorganization of the policy of the Normal schools of the state. He said that the past policy of the Normals to give a general preparation for the profession of teaching tended to isolate the Normal schools from the other parts of the educational system. He showed how at present much of the teaching done in the Normal department, especially the work in the so-called professional subjects, does not completely function in the teaching, either in the practice school at the Normals or in the schools into which the graduates of the Normals go after finishing their courses. He showed how the old policy had resulted in a lack of coherence and co-operation due to the organization of the system.

Mr. Kittle outlined a new proposed scheme whereby the Normal department and the practice department would be more closely co-related, and the instructors in one should have some definite part in the organization of courses of study and instruction in the other. He argued that the work of the Normals was easily arranged into two classes, one which was purely general academic training, with no purpose of making application in any special department or grade, and another where there should be a clear and definite purpose in view of how the matter and method presented by the teacher in the Normal department would apply in a particular grade of work for which the students of the class were preparing to teach. He urged the necessity of giving the heads of the different Normal departments a larger opportunity to influence courses of study, not only in the practice department but in schools outside as well.

The speaker asked for the Normals the opportunity to do for the state in the matter of the organization, management and methods of instruction in the public schools, what the university is now so well doing for the commonwealth in agriculture, good roads, public sanitation, etc. He wished the Normals to be organized into special departments, for the training of teachers for special lines of work, so the teaching of the special groups can be modified and adapted to the peculiar needs in each case. He complimented the local school on recognizing the principle of grouping students for particular lines of work in accordance with the method revealed in the catalog. The courses of study should be less rigid and the arrangement of subject matter should be largely left to the judgment of each individual school, instead of being fixed uniformly for all the schools regardless of peculiar local conditions that always prevail. This would give greater flexibility to the courses and greater opportunity to each school to adapt its work to best meet the needs of the students who come to it for special training. He said that present conditions were admirable for making a radical change from the old general cultural policy of Normal school administration to the new special departmental plan which will prepare special selected groups of students for particular line of teaching with the subject matter and method of presentation all adapted to the special end in view. The local faculty will discuss Secretary Kittle's address at its next meeting.

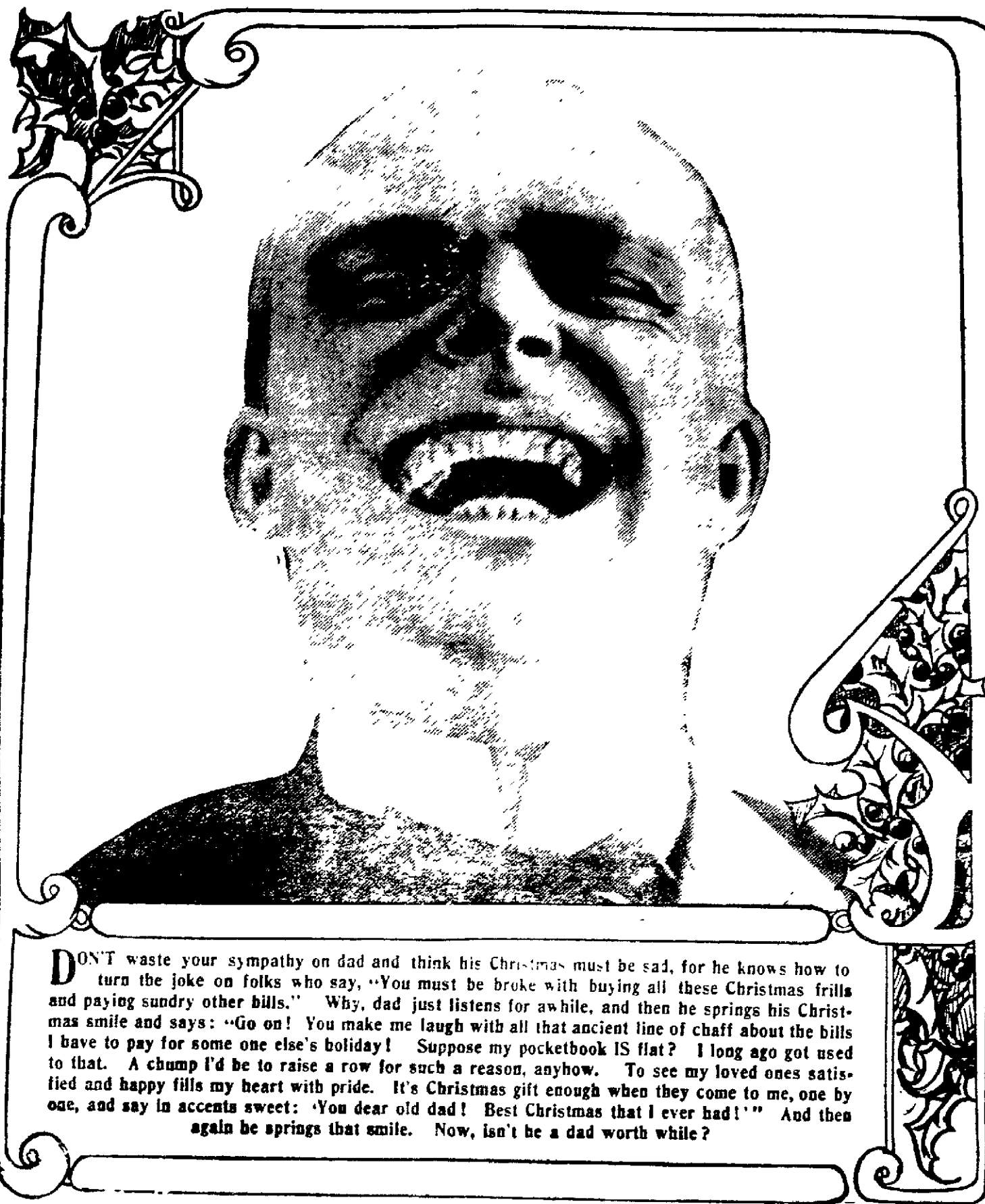
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BANQUET WELL ATTENDED

Business Men Met Thursday Evening and W. A. Hayes, Soo Line Attorney, Delivered Fine Address.

One hundred and ten gentlemen, including a number of railroad people, attended the banquet given by the Business Men's Association at the library club rooms last Thursday evening, and which was served by the ladies of St. Paul's M. E. church. This was followed by a most instructive and interesting address by W. A. Hayes of Milwaukee, attorney for the Soo company on "American Railroads as the Servants of the People." Mr. Hayes is a pleasing talker and his remarks were attentively listened to from start to finish, the array of facts he presented being convincing. All present declared this one of the best meetings held by the association during the past year, and at the close President Hanna extolled the members of different committees, and the organization in general, for the good work they had done during the past year, and especially complimented Jas. Mainland and Supt. C. E. Urbahn in their success in getting the Soo company to recently build sidetracks to the Automatic Cradle Co. and Stevens Point Lighting Co. plants, which, he said, is worth more to the city than all the cost of banquets for years.

In recounting the progress of this country during the past century, and particularly of our railroad interests, Mr. Hayes said that in 1850 that we possessed a total of twenty-three miles of track, but in years thereafter the growth had been constant and rapid, until now we have over 25,000 miles of railroad, or forty per cent of that in the entire world, with France second and Great Britain third. In this country very few railroads are over capital stock, and stockholders rarely realize over 12 per cent interest on their investment. Government ownership of railroads was touched upon at length, the speaker saying to purchase the railroads of the United States would cost more than \$20,000,000,000, the interest in which would represent an annual outlay of \$800,000,000 and the number of employees would be increased proportionately, as is always the fact under municipal or government ownership.

Mr. Hayes made a comparison of the railroads in this and other countries, the service in this country being far superior to any other on the face of the globe, its equipment being superb, especially since the introduction of steel cars, ponderous locomotives, etc., and the work of progress is still going on. His statement as to the cost of everything that goes into the building of a railroad, from the securing of the right-of-way, the grading, the tunnels, spikes, ties and rails to the general equipment, was listened to with interest, and possibly some who remained away "knew all about these things," they were nevertheless instructive to listeners.

At the close of the address, a short business session was held, during which Mr. Hayes was given a vote of thanks by a rising vote and made an honorary member of the association. The High school orchestra was likewise thanked for the music furnished during the banquet, as were also Misses M. Hentz, O. S. Bock and Kate Bock and Mrs. I. H. Hanna for their delightful vocal solos, each rendering a hearty encore. Mrs. W. B. Gregory was the accompanist. W. B. Angelo and E. P. Trautman were made members of the association.

Tells How to Make Dollars in Dairying.

"To become skillful and successful in the care, feeding, selecting and breeding of dairy cows means to be successful in the business of dairying," is a statement made by George C. Humphrey of the University of Wisconsin College of Agriculture in a bulletin on dairying published by the Wisconsin Bankers' Association, and distributed by bankers in the various sections of the state. To show that there is a vast difference in the profit producing capabilities of dairy animals, Mr. Humphrey cites the records of three different classes of cows found in the University herd. One lot averaged 42.69 pounds of butter fat per year, another 30.18 pounds, and a third 19.58 pounds. The return over the feed cost for the best producers was \$70.64 per year per cow, the second \$42.18, and the last \$19.01. Although each group required about the same care and feed, the total production and profit varied widely.

In urging that greater effort be made to care for cows in the best possible manner, to feed them better rations, to improve their individuality and to breed to insure a larger number of offspring which would develop into profitable cows, Mr. Humphrey offers the following suggestions for the care of cows during the winter months: "Feed cows daily one pound of grain for every three pounds of milk produced, 25 to 40 pounds corn silage, and whatever clover or alfalfa hay they will eat. Do not keep them out in the cold for a longer time than they appear to enjoy such an outing. Allow them to have water which is not colder than that from a deep well. Keep them in clean, well lighted, properly ventilated stables."

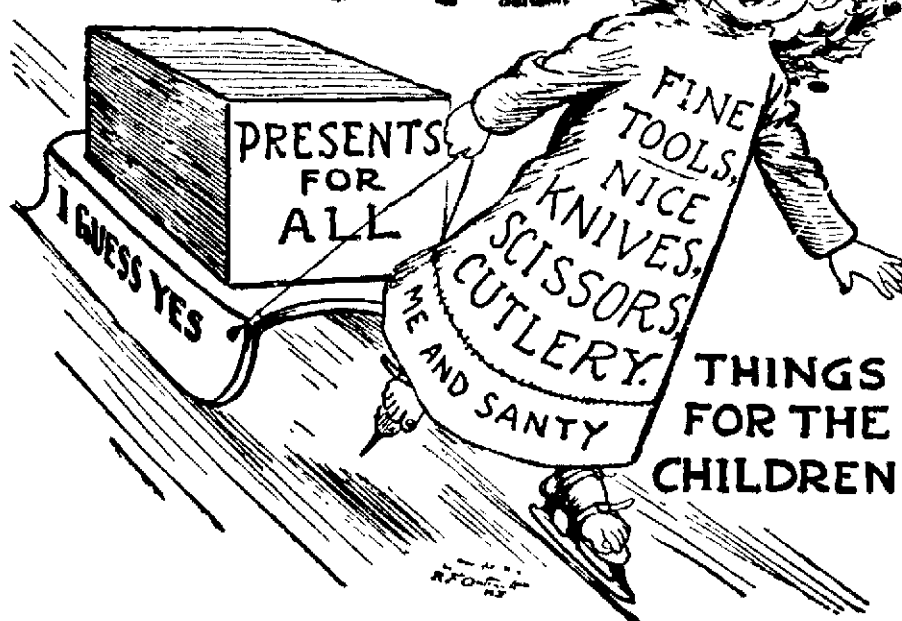
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"Well! God your work had started fifty years ago," was the comment of an Arizona consumptive, in writing to the Wisconsin Anti-Tuberculosis Association for Red Cross Christmas Seals. The letter with a check, received by Dr. Hoyt E. Dearholt, executive secretary of the association, was a former prominent citizen of Milwaukee. It read as follows: "Dear Hoyt:

"Fine work old chap! That decrease in the death rate seems a remarkable gain to me. I had not expected results so soon as that. I have always laughed at the authorities who claimed that in ten years a case of tuberculosis would be as rare as one of small pox is today. The bad work of centuries cannot be undone in ten years and so I marvel at your wonderful progress. I trust the errors in statistics if any, are all in our favor."

"You inspire me. I note your unused inside cover pages of your monthly magazine and would like to buy five dollars worth of space in the next issue—December or January. I would like to say (anonymously of course):

"This space is cheerfully paid for by a 'lunger' whose only regret regarding the campaign is, that it was not started fifty years ago."

"If you don't like the sentiment or can't sell the space I'll take it out in Christmas seals. Would to God your work had started fifty years ago. Probably then the disease would have missed me. Yours truly,"

As there are no advertisements in the Crusader, Christmas seals were sent instead.

Be a Good Forgetter.

In the January Woman's Home Companion appears a page of New Year resolutions contributed by readers. An Illinois contributor tells, as follows, what he thinks most important: "To become an expert at forgetting, just to forget all the unkind acts, the deep wrongs, the mean words, the bitter disappointments—just let them go, forget them—the memory will become quick and alert to remember the things worth remembering, the mind given to beautiful things, worth-while things, and to remember always that I am in the presence of God, this is my desire for the New Year."

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al Message to each
and every One who reads
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You that it can mean to any
One!

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thing a reasonable heart might desire
in the way of food, raiment, adorn-
ment or pleasure. In the rear of the
store a phonograph was blaring forth
a popular song.

All at once Jim Harcourt, his pock-
ets bulging with honestly earned dol-
lars, felt a new sensation around his
big, lonesome heart. This was differ-
ent from his generous cash remun-
erances to the boys when Christmas
came around.

There was something very intimate
and sweetly personal in buying for the
Widow Darling and her children. He
pictured her a faded, worn little crea-
ture, plain of countenance and stunted
and bent by overwork.

He laid his big hand on a large
shawl, knitted from soft, pale blue
wool.

"How would the widow like this?
Warm, eh?" he asked awkwardly.

Nick grew red around the ears.

"Sure thing, boss!" he said in a
strangled tone, staring very hard at a
string of wild turkeys in the window.

"I'll take that," said Harcourt to the
blond saleswoman. And it was char-
acteristic of his mental attitude that
night that he did not ask the price of
any article. He bought what he fancied,
and he found a new, delightful
pleasure in it.

Perhaps his greatest enjoyment was
in buying toys for the little girl and
boy. Nick had to restrain him from
buying duplicates of every toy—the
case they should be broken," argued
Harcourt.

"Come along, Jim. It's getting late.
If we don't hurry the widow will be in
bed, and they will be too scared to let
us in."

"Oh, never mind!" asked Harcourt,
tearing his self reluctantly away from a
big wax doll. He already had to right
two dolls.

"Yes, turkey, butter, cranberries, po-
tatoes, dumplings, pudding, oranges,
apples, nuts, candy—all the cuts!" re-
turned Nick cheerfully.

Their saddlebags were overflowing
and their pockets and arms were full!

As they rode away a doll's head
popped impulsively from Harcourt's
pocket. Sharp eyes spied it and a
friendly mocking voice called out:

"Regards to the family, Jim!" and
Jim, who never had had a family, felt
a strange thrill as he sent back a
laughing reply. Suppose he really was
married and there were a wife and
children waiting for his homecoming
tonight. But no; he sighed and then
shrugged his shoulders.

What if the Widow Darling was
plain and unimpressive? It was
certainly sweet of her to be there with
her children to receive his gifts and to
need his care and sympathy. Why, if
it had not been for Mrs. Darling and
her kids he would have spent another
dreary Christmas.

The two men were silent as they
rode over the trail to the canyon.
Here where there was little travel the
snow was a level two inches, and only
the sagacious horses picked the trail
out of the blanket of whiteness. The
snow had ceased falling, and the stars
were blazing out in the deep blue sky.

Suddenly in the distance there shone
two blurred red lights.

"What's that?" asked Harcourt en-
ciously.

"Mrs. Darling's house," was Nick's
reply.

The horses' hoofs made no sound on
the packed snow, so that they rode up
to the doorstep and dismounted before
Nick knocked loudly.

There was a moment's silence, and
then a woman's voice spoke timidly:

"Who is there?"

"Santa Claus," rumbled Nick in a
deep bass voice.

There followed a muffled laugh, and
light feet tripped to the door and flung
it wide open.

"Come in. Oh, Mr. Bolton, how kind
of you to remember us!"

It was not until they were within
the cheerful warmth of the room that
Harcourt drew breath after that first

glance at Mrs. Darling. Such a delect-
able combination of pink and white
skin, ruddy brown hair, hazel eyes,
laughing lips and perfect figure he had
never seen.

She was so grateful for their thought-
fulness—no one had been near her
since the storm began, and she had
reconced herself to a barren and lone-
ly Christmas. As for the children—she
tore out her little hands, pretty in



FILLING THE CHILDREN'S STOCKINGS WAS
A RARE PRIVILEGE.

spite of the washing, and showed them
the broken toys she was trying to
mend so that the little stockings might
not be empty. Out in the snow she
had placed pans of nut tarts to cool.

But now she tossed aside the broken
toys and showed joyfully over the con-
tents of the packages they had brought.
Jim Harcourt watched her with shin-
ing eyes. He had not known that a
woman could be made so happy by
such simple means.

It was the rare privilege of Jim Har-
court and Nick Bolton to help fill the
tiny stockings hanging from the man-
tepiece, and afterward they all tiptoed
into the next room and saw the rosy
children asleep in a little white crib.

"This is home," murmured Jim Har-
court reverently as he backed out into
the living room. The others heard
him, but they made no answer. Nick
Bolton coughed with embarrassment,
and the little widow's eyes grew very
tender as she glanced up at the great
six feet of manhood who had never
known a home.

Nick and Jim promised to ride over
and eat Christmas dinner with the
widow, and after they had brought in
a big supply of wood for her fires they
rode toward the ranch.

Harcourt's last glimpse of Mrs. Dar-
ling as she stood in the doorway re-
vealed the fact that she had wrapped
herself in the pale blue shawl.

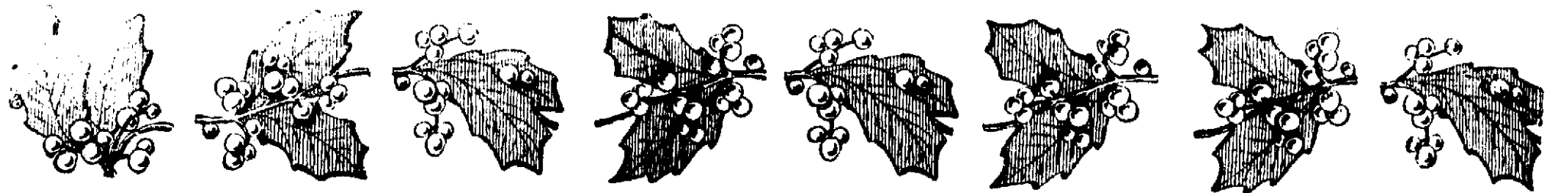
His gift! His first gift to a woman.
"Nick," he said after awhile, "are
you—is she?" He nodded back to-
ward the little house.

"Me? No; my girl's waiting for me
back in Ohio. She sent me her picture
in a gold frame." He laughed softly.
"It's a clear field for you, Jim."

Harcourt's hand went out to his, and
then Harcourt bared his head and
spoke solemnly:

"Then, please God, this is only the
beginning of Christmas for me. After
this there will be Christmas—and the
home—and they will be mine to work
for and to love."

"Amen," said Nick Bolton reverently.
There was a great peace in Jim Har-
court's heart as they rode along under
the Christmas stars.



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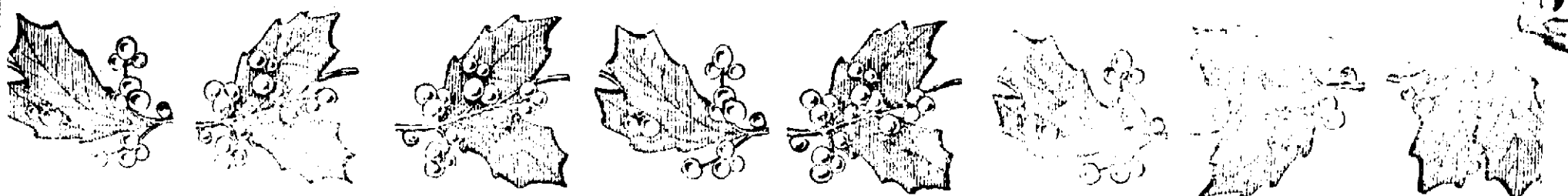
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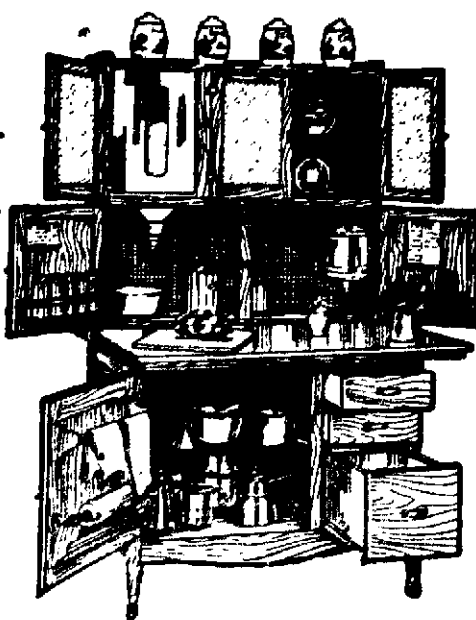
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Harcourt's Christmas

By Clarissa Machie

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JIM HARCOURT felt a sudden fierce homesickness as he turned away from the postoffice window that snowy Christmas eve. Fostered in an orphan asylum until the year he rebelled and ran away to carve out his own future, it was not strange that Harcourt, who had never known any other home save bleak boarding houses, should have an insistent yearning for a home of his own, for loving home faces.

His letters were all business letters. There was not even a gay Christmas card as evidence that some one had remembered him.

He stood aside and wistfully watched the other men some of them his own companions—return from the great window, with smiling lips and eyes, tenderly expectant of what might be concealed in the Christmas packages that came to each.

Nick Bolton must have surprised the wistfulness in his employer's eyes, for he suddenly stuffed his letters and parcels in his pockets and lighted a cigarette.

"Going along now?" he asked Harcourt, and the other nodded briefly and strode out.

As their horses turned into the almost obliterated trail that led to Sweetwater ranch Nick urged his beast through the powdery whiteness until he was within easy hearing of the silent rider ahead.

"I say, Jim," he began, with elaborately assumed carelessness, "this is going to be some snowstorm, I reckon."

"Looks like it, Nick."

"Don't it all, I don't believe anybody's thought of the Widow Darling at the north of the canyon?"

"That's a new one. Who is the Widow Darling?"

"Nice little woman. Been here most a year. Came with her husband when you were in New York last spring. They took up that salted hole in the ground called 'Goldconda Mine,' and the man worked himself to death over it. He was a poor, shiftless critter at the most. Since then the widow has lived alone with the two kids."

"Poor heavens! What do they live on?" demanded Harcourt, plainly interested.

"Mrs. Darling does washing and mending for the boys. She's gritty clear through. Some of the boys have proposed marriage to her and the kids and the hole in the ground, but she's turned every mother's son down."

"They should wait awhile," advised Harcourt.

"Oh, she doesn't appear to be grieving overmuch on account of the stiffest one's departure," remarked Nick dryly. "You could see it was a big mistake, that time, but she was good as gold to him through it all and worked like a slave."

"Hum! How is she fixed for Christmas?" asked Harcourt thoughtfully.

"I don't know. It's this way. Seeing that the widow is dumb obstinate and ungrateful on the subject of marriage, most of the boys have been shying up to the new schoolmarm at Red Brick, and tonight they are rampaging around the town trying to outdo one another in buying silver backed hairbrushes and boxes of candy for her."

"And you think Mrs. Darling may have been forgotten?"

"It pears that way. I was thinking 'twouldn't do any harm to ride over

A Case of Worldly Wisdom

By EFFIE D. GARDNER

When Miss Mabel Willmarth wrote her lover, Edward Auchinkloss, that under her parents' orders she must break with him he was very badly cut up. He did not blame Mabel; she was not much over seventeen years old—certainly not an age at which a girl is warranted in marrying counter to the express wishes of her parents.

Auchinkloss was permitted to call upon Miss Willmarth to say goodbye after which he was expected to refrain from visits or communication. He found her as much averse to breaking with him as he was to breaking with her, but he also found her resolute in her determination to obey her mother.

"Father and mother," she said, "have only me. If I marry you in opposition to their commands a barrier will be raised between them and me that will never be removed. Besides, mother has convinced me that couples usually grow together, irrespective of any attachments for others either husband or wife may have had before marriage. We must make the best of the present for the sake of the future. You will marry another girl and I will be nothing to you. I suppose I shall—"

"Forget me?"

"I don't know. It doesn't seem to me now that I can."

"What you have said has, of course, come from your mother. It is too wise to be spoken by a girl of seventeen. But I confess that it is wise, or seems to be, and I would not for the world persuade you to do an unwise thing. One thing I wish you to tell me: Has not your mother some one in view for you who she thinks will be able to give you more than I?"

"Why do you ask that question?"

"Because until very recently both she and your father seemed to be well satisfied with me for a son-in-law."

"Mother especially enjoined me to say nothing to you about any future relations between me and any one else. She says that, having broken with you, you are not supposed to take any further interest in me. Surely you cannot be expected to approve of any man that she—I mean I—might marry?"

"Right again—that is, if your sentence had been finished as you began it. You should have finished 'that she might select.' Nevertheless it is evident that some one has been selected for you, and naturally I am especially anxious to know who the fellow is."

"The fellow?"

"Well, the gentleman."

"Your use of the word shows that mother is right. You would naturally be prejudiced against any man I might marry."

He tried for an hour to induce her to tell him the name of her new fiance, but, having promised her mother that she would answer no questions with regard to her future, she stood firm. Finally he asked her if he should write a number of names on a bit of paper to tell him whether the name he wished to know was on the list. Since the man was a newcomer and she did not believe Auchinkloss had ever seen or heard of him, she consented. He wrote twenty names on the paper and handed it to her. She handed it back to him with a request to be released from her agreement. Auchinkloss released her and immediately took his departure.

Several weeks rolled around, and Miss Willmarth saw nothing of her discarded lover. She did not even meet him on the street. This was surprising, because the town in which they lived was small. More weeks passed with like result. His place was not supplied by the new suitor, because Mr. and Mrs. Willmarth had decided that he might not pay their daughter any attention whatever till she had passed her eighteenth birthday. Then the couple might be engaged, but for a year before marriage. Such an arrangement prevented any one from linking the two names together.

Four months passed between the time Auchinkloss was discarded and Mabel's eighteenth birthday. The latter had passed and the engagement had been made, though not announced, when the new appointee was arrested one day on a charge of giving a check on a bank where he had no account. Other claims against him followed the first, and it was not long before a pretty black record came to light. The engagement between him and Mabel was broken without any one outside the family knowing that it had occurred.

Then one day Auchinkloss appeared at the Willmarth home and was restored to favor.

"You remember," he asked, "our conversation when I was dismissed about a natural prejudice on my part as to the one who would take my place? Well, that prejudice served a purpose. It was I who unearthed your new lover."

"You? Why, you didn't know his name?"

"I did. His name was the only name on the paper I handed you that was not fictitious. I had heard of him several years before and had not heard any good of him. I went away and spent weeks tracing his record, and finally put those he had swindled on his track."

"But don't mean it!"

"But for me you might have married a swindler."

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Bringing It Home.

"I was weeping an aw-account of a woman being sore to death by a beastly cow, doncher know," remarked young Duddleigh. "Weally, I can't imagine a more howlible affair, can you, Miss Caustique?"

"No, Mr. Duddleigh," replied Miss Caustique, with a mighty yawn, "unless it is being bored to death by a calf."—Pearson's Weekly.

Watches.

We are always ready to sell you the right kind of a timepiece at the right price. If you want an honest, reliable watch at the lowest possible price, come and see our holiday line, which includes a splendid variety of the latest in ladies' and gents' watches.

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We have been extremely careful in the buying of these goods and can guarantee them as perfect goods.

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HAIR BRUSHES

A gift sure to be welcomed. Our assortment consists of a big variety of styles and sizes.

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Perfect writing pens in a variety of styles. You will like our fountain pens. Let us show them to you.

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Always acceptable, even by the best of friends. Some mighty fine stationery is among our stock. Initial correspondence cards.

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Well made Gentlemen's Purses, Card Cases, and many other serviceable articles.

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Our regular fresh stock of the best—by box especially. Wrapped for gift-giving if desired.

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Who doesn't like candy—and such delicious, wholesome candy as ours. In holly and decorated or plain boxes. Leave your orders now.

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HE WANTED TO BUY DUPLICATE TOYS.

There and see if she's fixed against this storm. It's going to come on worse by and by."

Harcourt's horse scuffed to a standstill under his rider's firm hand.

"If we're going to the canyon tonight we may as well go provided with some food and other things. They are sure to come in handy," said Harcourt in his practical way.

"Sure thing!" assented Nick in a surprised manner. And without further talk they rode back to Red Brick.

Once in the brightly lighted main street, crowded down its straggling length with Christmas shoppers, Nick Bolton led his less experienced companion into that famous mart, the New York Emporium.

Several weeks rolled around, and Miss Willmarth saw nothing of her discarded lover. She did not even meet him on the street. This was surprising, because the town in which they lived was small. More weeks passed with like result. His place was not supplied by the new suitor, because Mr. and Mrs. Willmarth had decided that he might not pay their daughter any attention whatever till she had passed her eighteenth birthday. Then the couple might be engaged, but for a year before marriage. Such an arrangement prevented any one from linking the two names together.

Four months passed between the time Auchinkloss was discarded and Mabel's eighteenth birthday. The latter had passed and the engagement had been made, though not announced, when the new appointee was arrested one day on a charge of giving a check on a bank where he had no account. Other claims against him followed the first, and it was not long before a pretty black record came to light. The engagement between him and Mabel was broken without any one outside the family knowing that it had occurred.

Then one day Auchinkloss appeared at the Willmarth home and was restored to favor.

"You remember," he asked, "our conversation when I was dismissed about a natural prejudice on my part as to the one who would take my place? Well, that prejudice served a purpose. It was I who unearthed your new lover."

All of which goes to show that our worldly wisdom doesn't count for much.

AN AMATEUR SANTA CLAUS

By HAMILTON POPE GALT

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WE had all agreed that Mr O'Shaughnessy was the very one to be Santa Claus at our Christmas tree.

"No," he said, "No."

We had never seen Mr O'Shaughnessy so vehement before.

"That is one thing I will never do, not if the czar of Russia were to command it."

"Why?" asked some one from a safe distance.

"Because I played the part once, and I will never do it again. I may as well tell you about it, and then you'll know that it is of no use to bother me about it any more."

"One Christmas I was broke, I was hungry, and my feet were on the ground. I had asked a thousand people for something to do, anything to

do, and finally a manager in a department store said, 'All right, we'll make a Santa Claus out of you.'

"I told him I didn't feel much like a Santa Claus inside."

"Oh, well, but that all right," he said and handed me a pillow.

"So with pillows and boots and gloves and a fur coat outside and nothing at all inside, I started in to be Santa Claus in the toy department. While I was thinking about my wife and the two kids at home needing money, and me with no steady job, and other things like that, I heard one of the fellows in the store say to the boss:

"Say, that St. Nicholas of yours is about as jolly as a hymn book. He reminds me of a funny song entitled 'Silver Threads Among the Gold.' Why don't you throw him out?"

"I will when I get time."

"I tried to live up a little after hearing this praise of my histrionic talent, but it wasn't much use."

"Pretty soon I saw a boy coming down the aisle like a wolf on the fold. He was also seeking whom he might devour. He was followed by an anxious looking maid and a gentleman in a silk hat, who was an indulgent millionaire father."

"The kid sniggered along in an independent, bored way, swinging his arms, kind of reckless, as if he was in hopes of breaking something and relieving the monotony."

"When he came up to where I was sitting he stopped. He had seen plenty of toys, but I guess I was something new in the way of a St. Nicholas."

"He called his daddy and pointed to me."

"I want that," he said.

"Oh, no, dearie," said the maid. "Here, look at this nice giraffe! See! It does this!"

"The kid shook the nurse off irritably."

"He doesn't seem to take much interest in the giraffe," I remarked to the father.

"No, nor anything else," he answered in a patient, weary tone. "He has had all these toys before, and he knows all about them, inside and out. He had one of these giraffes last year and broke it open to find out what

was in it, and he was mad when he found there was nothing."

"I want that," said the boy again, pointing to me.

"He has taken a fancy to you," continued the pa.

"I can't see that I have any advantage over the giraffe," I said.

"Just then the boss of the store came along. He was just busting himself for the millionaire."

"My boy wants your Santa Claus," said the gentleman to the boss.

"And the kid jumped up and grabbed me by the hand and began pulling at me and fighting the maid off with the other hand."

"Well," said the boss, "take him along, Mr. Van Veegle. It will be no loss whatever to us, I assure you."

"This recommendation seemed to sort of encourage the millionaire."

"I will pay you for your time," he said to me.

"As the little fellow was pulling my arm off I got up and went along. He towed me through the aisle against a tide of open mouthed people. We got into a big red automobile, and the millionaire said to the chauffeur, 'Home as quick as possible, for goodness sake!'

"Away we went, my white whiskers flying in the wind."

"Then," said the millionaire, "look here, you needn't display us any more than necessary. Kindly pick out some quiet streets."

"The kid was sitting next to me, holding my hand."

"The chauffeur started to slow down in front of a mansion when the millionaire gave a shout."

"Hold on!" he said. "Drive on quick! I forgot Mrs. Van Veegle has company. We'll go around the back way."

"We were turning the corner to go around the other way when the millionaire shouted again suddenly, 'Turn around quick!'

"We were dodging somebody or other, that he knew."

"Finally we passed through a big gate, and the boy towed me around through a conservatory or two into a swell room."

"The man swore. There were a lot of ladies there still. They seemed to take a great interest in the pageant."

"Well, what on earth!" screamed the millionaire's wife.

"While the man was explaining to his wife the boy led me around all over the house by the hand. He would not let go."

"He had to have me sit beside him while he ate his dinner, and I had a



TAKING SANTA TO KINDERGARTEN.

few, they said, and for me to turn in boots, beard, stomach and all with little Van in his little bed seemed utterly impossible.

"We compromised by my sitting by his bed and holding his hand until he went to sleep. Would you believe it? That boy was the lightest sleeper you ever saw! Every time I tried to take my hand away his eyes would open and he would take a tighter grip."

"I sat up all night holding that kid's hand. I had a man in attendance, who brought me everything I wanted, and I had collected a ten from Papa Van, but I didn't get much sleep."

"The boy had me with him all the next day. I had to be with him when he got his bath and his breakfast, and I attended kindergarten with him."

"I was 'it' at kindergarten, too, but along about 4 o'clock he lay down on a couch and went sound asleep."

"I stole from the room softly and unobserved. I had had enough of the job and was resolved to escape."

"Just as I was getting out of the front door a good sized boy came along and started to blab something about 'Hello, Santa Claus!' and tried to grab hold of me."

"I paralyzed him by pulling out my stomach and hitting him over the head with it."

"I gained the street and flew for home, dodging this way and that to baffle pursuit and shedding beard, boots, cotton and fur all along the way."

"I hid for three days and then emerged and got a nice little job loading coal on a ship. I have always gone in for a sane Christmas ever since that little experience."

We did not press Mr. O'Shaughnessy

Concerning Christmas Presents.

A man may not be so badly off for presents if he only has presence of mind.

The question of the hour is, "What on earth shall we buy for a Christmas present?"

Never look a gift horse in the teeth. It is also wrong to look a Christmas present in the price mark.

"What shall I give the hired girl?" is a Christmas conundrum that puzzles some. Give her last week's pay and get another girl.

The proprietor of a big hotel may love his patrons' children, but he never gives the youngsters drums or horns at Christmas. N. B.—Or any other day.



HE TOWED ME THROUGH THE AISLE.

big, fat butler shoving my chair around for me and waiting on me. I got some birds and one thing and another under my pillow and my furs, but I was awful warm."

"It was too warm for comfort when it got around that there was a real, live Santa Claus at the Van Veegle house. All the children came from all over the neighborhood to mail me."

"But young Van kept a tight grip on

Christmas Don'ts for the Home.

Every year in America many children are burned to death, or seriously injured, through fires arising from Christmas tree candles or the careless handling of matches. Some of the reports of such fires coming to this department are simply heartrending in the pathos of the sad stories they tell.

Here are a few samples, in simple terms of fire chiefs and town clerks: (1) "The house was all afire (from the overturned tree) before they noticed it. Did not have time to save two small children." (2) "The mother had gone out to milk the cows, and her little four year old girl came down stairs in her nightdress, and, finding no one about, climbed up, got some matches, and thought she would try to relight the tree. In some way her nightdress caught fire. She ran up stairs and got into bed, set the bedding on fire, then jumped into another bed and set the other bedding on fire. When the mother came in, the clothing was burned off the little girl, and although she ran for water and got the fire out, the child died." (3) "Mother was in back yard hanging up clothes. Seeing the smoke coming from the room, she ran in to save two small children, who were found on stairway leading to upper floor. All three died from effects of fire." (Playing with matches.)

This department therefore feels that it is asking nothing unreasonable when it requests the newspaper publishers in the interests of humanity to give publicity to the following "Don'ts" at this season of the year. They may never know the service thus rendered, but in case of an accident similar to any of the above, in their own locality, they will perhaps wonder if it might not have helped, if they had published some such warning. DO NOT decorate your Christmas tree with paper, cotton, or any other inflammable material. Use metallic tinsel and other non-inflammable decorations only, and set the tree securely, so that the children in reaching for things cannot tip it over.

DO NOT use cotton to represent snow. If you must have snow, use asbestos fiber.

DO NOT permit children to light or relight the candles while parents are not present. They frequently set fire to their clothing instead. The tree itself will burn when needles become dry.

DO NOT leave matches within reach of children at holiday time. Candles are meant to be lighted, and if the children can get matches, they will experiment with them. They naturally imitate their elders.

Clem P. Host,
State Fire Marshal

The Bowling Season.

The Alhambra alleys were recently opened to the public and are now in full swing. All those who are interested in the game and have been waiting for the season to open may now indulge in their favorite pastime. The alleys have been thoroughly scraped and refinished and are in the best possible condition.

Don't Look Old Before Your Time

That backache, so common among women, brings with it the sunken chest, the headache, tired muscles, crow's feet, and soon the youthful body is no more youthful in appearance—and all because of lack of attention.

There is no reason why you should be so unfortunate, when you have at your disposal a remedy such as Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription—recommended for over 40 years as a remedy for ailments peculiar to women. We have thousands upon thousands of testimonials on file—the accumulation of 40 years—testifying to its effectiveness. Neither narcotics nor alcohol are to be found in this famous prescription. Regulates irregularities. Corrects displacements. Overcomes painful periods. Tones up nerves. Brings about perfect health. Sold by dealers in medicines, in liquid or tablet form.

Dr. Pierce's Medical Adviser, newly revised up-to-date edition, answers hosts of delicate questions about which every woman, single or married ought to know.

Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription

Trinity Lutheran Church.

The regular order of services at the above church in this city is as follows: The second and fourth Sunday of every month services in the English language at 7:30 p. m. The fifth Sunday of month services in the English language in the forenoon at 10:30. The second Sunday of every month services in the Norwegian language in the afternoon at 2:30. F. Magelssen, Pastor, Amherst, Wis.

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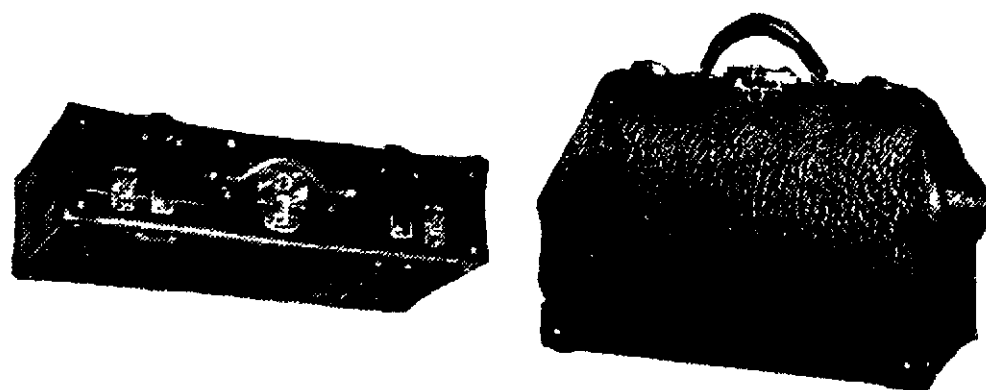
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Lettuce	Mince Meat
Celery	Cranberries
Grapes	Dates
Oranges	Nuts
Candies	Figs
Coast Sealed Oysters	
Candied Cherries and Pineapples	
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HOLIDAY SUGGESTIONS!

WHEN it comes to think of Holiday Gifts for ladies and gentlemen, there are numerous articles that come to mind, but the one thing that is often overlooked is

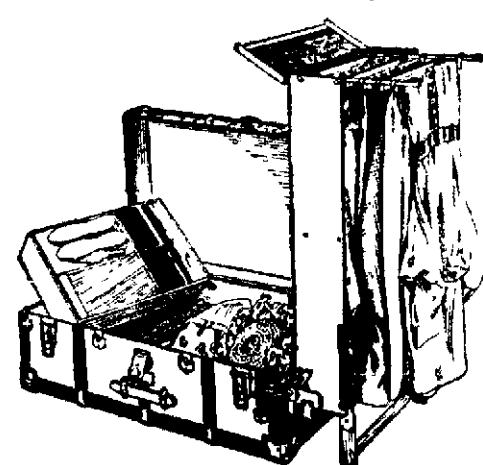


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This year we are carrying a much better and larger line of these goods than ever before, consisting of Traveling Bags, Suit Cases, Trunks, Ladies' Hand Bags, Coin Purses, etc.



We have handled and dealt in Leather for years and therefore know good from poor stock, and you may rest assured you will get full value for your money when you come to our store.

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From now until Christmas we have Special Offers on Fancy Varieties of Apples, such as Ben Davis, Baldwins, Greenings, etc., at very Reasonable prices.

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We carry the Largest and Finest stock in the city and are giving SPECIAL LOW RATES to churches, schools, etc.

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Dr. Hobson's Ointment Heals Itchy Eczema.

The constantly itching, burning sensation and other disagreeable forms of eczema, tetter, salt rheum and skin eruptions promptly cured by Dr. Hobson's Eczema Ointment. Geo. W. Fitch of Mendota, Ill., says: "I purchased a box of Dr. Hobson's Eczema Ointment. Have had eczema ever since the civil war, have been treated by many doctors, none of gave them benefit that one box of Dr. Hobson's Eczema Ointment has." Every sufferer should try it. We're so positive it will help you we guarantee it or money refunded. At all druggists or by mail, 50c. Pfeiffer Chemical Co., Philadelphia and St. Louis.

The author of a new play expressed the hope, inasmuch as his play is decent, that the public will soon tire of theatrical filth. His optimism is commendable, but we fear his hope is destined to be long deferred.

Constipation Poisons You.

If you are constipated, your entire system is poisoned by the waste matter kept in the body—serious results often follow. Use Dr. King's New Life Pills and you will soon get rid of constipation, headache and other troubles. 25c at druggists or by mail. H. E. Bucklen & Co., Philadelphia and St. Louis.

A bird in the hand is better than two in the bush, of course, but those in the bush always seem so much bigger and fatter.

Beware of Ointments for Catarrh that Contain Mercury

as mercury will surely destroy the sense of smell and completely derange the whole system when entering it through the mucous surfaces. Such articles should never be used except on prescriptions from reputable physicians, as the damage they will do is ten fold to the good you can possibly derive from them. Hall's Catarrh Cure, manufactured by F. J. Cheney & Co., Toledo, O., contains no mercury, and is taken internally, acting directly upon the blood and mucous surfaces of the system. In buying Hall's Catarrh Cure be sure you get the genuine. It is taken internally and made in Toledo, Ohio, by F. J. Cheney & Co. Testimonials free. Sold by druggists. Price 75c per bottle. Take Hall's Family Pills for constipation.

Foreign aviators are engaging in dangerous competition in making aerial loops. One of these days they will come to the end of the circle.

Thoroughbred Hogs for Sale.

Twenty thoroughbred registered Poland China hogs, 12 gilts and 8 boars, for sale. All of last spring's litters. If you are looking for first-class stock call on or write N. C. Parsons, Plover, route 2.

CITY GOVERNMENT

Official Synopsis of Proceedings of Common Council.

Regular meeting of the common council, held in the council chambers Tuesday evening, December 2, 1913. Called to order by his honor, Mayor Walters.

All members present except Aldermen Hyer, Krembs and Sparks. Minutes of previous meeting read and approved.

Ald. Krembs absented.

Claims for November, 1913:

Dr. C. von Neupert.....	\$ 15.00
P. Rothman.....	2.50
N. M. Urbanowicz.....	8.00
J. M. Mattheson.....	4.00
L. S. Hall.....	13.12
Frank Laskowski.....	28.00
W. R. Swan.....	3.50
Henry Frank.....	1.00
Johnson Milling Co.....	3.20
A. J. Empey.....	6.00
L. Kamrowski.....	2.25
Copps Co.....	14.44
Am. Kosh.....	16.27
N. M. Urbanowicz.....	8.00
M. J. Friday.....	7.00
Central City Iron Works.....	7.34
S. Brandt & Son.....	11.00
H. D. McClellan Co.....	7.95
Joe Czechowski.....	9.75
Gross & Jacobs.....	20.30
Peter Trierweiler.....	1.50
Stevens Point Lighting Co.....	539.50
J. M. Mattheson.....	34.38
A. J. Empey.....	6.00
Western Telephone Co.....	48.30
Clements Piotrowski.....	10.15
Mary Dakis.....	4.75
Krembs Hardware Co.....	4.73
P. Wozniak.....	10.90
F. E. Boyer, treasurer.....	512.54
John Week Lumber Co.....	14.79
W. A. Atkins.....	11.00
Kellogg Bros.....	5.20

To the Honorable Mayor and Common Council: Gentlemen—We, your committee on claims, have carefully examined the within schedule of claims and would recommend that the same be allowed.—C. A. Schenk, Alex. Wilson, R. K. McDonald.

Moved by Ald. Leahy and seconded that the report of the finance committee be accepted and the clerk be instructed to draw orders for the same. Carried.

A petition from property owners Water street, between Brawley and 10th streets, asking for 25 ft. wide alley street with cement sidewalk and gutter road. See page 172.

Moved and seconded same be referred to board of public works. Carried.

Supt. Treatment addressed the council regarding street sprinkling during the next season, also the use of hydrants by city employees.

Moved by Ald. Atwell and seconded that board of public works and superintendent of water company adjust the rates for the season. Carried.

Moved by Ald. Atwell and seconded that the committee confer with Supt. Treatment as to direct pressure in time of fires and other matters that need adjusting. Carried.

Bids for poor farm were opened and read as follows: John Kalke, \$1,255.00; Fred Steiler, \$1,500.00.

Moved by Ald. King and seconded that bid of Fred Steiler be accepted. Carried. Moved by Ald. McDonald and seconded that the mayor clerk and controller be authorized to sign deed of said property to Fred Steiler. Carried.

Moved by Alderman Schenk that the proceeds from this sale be placed in a separate fund to be known as the City Hall Site Fund and to be used only for that purpose. Carried.

Bids for the McCulloch street property were opened and read. R. C. Krienke, \$425.00; R. H. Plank, \$425.00; E. E. Carpenter, \$400.50.

Moved by Ald. King and seconded that all bids be rejected and the clerk be instructed to readvertise for bids. Carried.

Controller's pauper report read. (See page 176, mels. rec.)

Moved by Alderman Schenk and seconded that same be accepted and placed on file. Carried.

Controller's fund report read. (See page 177, mels. rec.)

Moved by Ald. McDonald and seconded that same be accepted and placed on file. Carried.

Sealer of weights and measures report read and on motion of Ald. Wallace same was ordered placed on file.

Ald. McDonald stated that the Mitchell bridge was in bad shape and something should be done to it at once.

Moved by Ald. Wallace and seconded that Ald. Leahy furnish an estimate for a bridge with new white oak piling and new timbers, also estimate using old piling cut off below the water line and old timbers that are sound. Carried.

Resolution by Ald. Schenk authorizing the mayor and clerk to borrow \$1,400 for ordinary expenses, was read. (See page 287, res. bk.)

Moved by Ald. Leahy and seconded that same be adopted. Carried.

Ald. Schenk stated that there was \$662.34 delinquent personal property

tax still on the books. Moved by Ald. Schenk and seconded that same be credited back to the treasurer. Carried.

Moved by Ald. Urowski and seconded that this delinquent personal property tax be referred to the finance committee, they to strike off all they think uncollectable and the balance to be placed in the new tax roll. Carried.

Moved and seconded that the clerk advertise for bids on the brick house in Sixth ward. Lost.

Julius Kula-savage addressed the council regarding the purchase of a piece of property between North Second and North Third streets. After some discussion it was moved by Ald. Urowski and seconded that this be referred to the finance committee, they to report at the next meeting. Carried.

Moved by Ald. McDonald and seconded that the city attorney be instructed to bring an action to "quiet title" to the property. Carried.

Ald. Port reported that the lighting committee had investigated the matter of a light in front of the hospital and recommended that one be placed there. No action was taken.

The council then went into executive session.

After which the city attorney addressed the council regarding the case of Mrs. Kleiner against the city, thought it could be settled for \$150.

Moved by Ald. Schenk and seconded that the city attorney be instructed to settle for that amount and the mayor, controller and clerk have authority to draw an order for same. Carried.

Moved and seconded that the council adjourn, subject to call by the mayor. Carried.

W. L. Bronson, City Clerk.

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Bears the Signature of *Charles H. Fletcher*

"I have kept young on olive oil," says a California man, who at the age of eighty-four years, has married a lady of sixty. Womanlike, she declines to let us know how she has kept young.

A VALUABLE SUGGESTION

IMPORTANT TO EVERYONE

It is now conceded by physicians that the kidneys should have more attention as they control the other organs to a remarkable degree and do a tremendous amount of work in removing the poisons and waste matter from the system by filtering the blood.

During the winter months, especially, when we live an indoor life, the kidneys should receive some assistance when needed, as we take less exercise, drink less water and often eat more rich, heavy food, thereby forcing the kidneys to do more work than Nature intended. Evidence of kidney trouble, such as lame back, annoying bladder troubles, smarting or burning, brick dust or sediment, sallow complexion, rheumatism, may be weak or irregular heart action, warns you that your kidneys require help immediately to avoid more serious trouble.

Many physicians claim that an herbal medicine containing no minerals or opiates has the most healing influence. An ideal herbal compound that has had most remarkable success as a kidney and bladder remedy is Dr. Kilmer's Swamp-Root.

You may receive a sample bottle of Swamp Root by parcels post. Address Dr. Kilmer & Co., Binghamton, N. Y., and enclose ten cents; also mention The Gazette, Stevens Point, Wis.

Ferdinand may lose the throne of Bulgaria because of his disastrous "second war." To be a czar you have to keep on winning. No .300 batting average will do.

California Woman Seriously Alarmed.

"A short time ago I contracted a severe cold which settled on my lungs and caused me a great deal of annoyance. I would have had coughing spells and my lungs were so sore and inflamed I began to be seriously alarmed. A friend recommended Chamberlain's Cough Remedy, saying she had used it for years. I bought a bottle and it relieved my cough the first night, and in a week I was rid of the cold and soreness of my lungs," writes Miss Marie Gerber, Sawtelle, Cal. For sale by all dealers.

A large proportion of the aigrettes confiscated by New York customs officials have been found artificial. Europe's exploitation of the American anxious to purchase the foreign article has evidently been extremely profitable.

How to Bankrupt the Doctors.

A prominent New York physician says, "If it were not for the thin stockings and thin soled shoes worn by women the doctors would probably be bankrupt." When you contract a cold do not wait for it to develop into pneumonia but treat it at once. Chamberlain's Cough Remedy is intended especially for coughs and colds, and has won a wide reputation by its cures of these diseases. It is most effectual and pleasant and safe to take. For sale by all dealers.

College women are planning war on the tango and similar dances. This is showing the effect of the higher education to much better advantage than hazing and other adoption of undesirable masculine college customs.

Etiquette Points

Use of Calling Card.

The question of how properly to use the calling card seems still to remain puzzling to so many people that the best way is again to give instruction on the subject.

If the primary point is firmly implanted in the mind there should be no trouble at all, and this is that the visiting card of a man or a woman means the personal presence of the one whose name it bears as far as an inanimate object can be said to replace a living person. A lady's calling card should never be found where she would not like to be seen herself, and the man who is in any regular business will have his office number on his business cards, but his calling cards that are to be sent in to announce him when calling or to be left by the ladies of his family with their own when he cannot make the call in person need have only his name, always with the prefix "Mr."

A married woman in making a first call leaves one of her own and one of her husband's for each lady in the house, with an extra one of her husband's for the man of the family—more if it be necessary—that is, where there are sons or brothers. It should be readily understood that this simply means that Mr. and Mrs. have called upon Mrs. and Miss, while Mr. has also called upon Mr. Such formality is only needed when making a first call. Afterward only the card of the lady and her husband need be left if the members called upon are not at home. When a lady calls where she has been in the habit of calling—that is, upon an acquaintance or friend—she just leaves her own card, laying it upon any convenient table or shelf. If the lady of the house opens the door herself or happens to be at the door and receives her in person.

Where cards of invitation include the men of the family and they cannot call in person their visiting cards should be left by the women who do call; this is all that is necessary. A young man usually prefers to have his own cards to announce his visit when he calls in person.

When an invitation to an "at home" is received the only thing needed is to drop one's card in the receiver always to be found either at the door or presented by a man or maid for the purpose. This signifies that one has been present as the hostess looks over her cards afterward to note who has been present.

If one cannot attend a short note of regrets, with card inclosed, is mailed in time to reach the house of the hostess on day and date of reception, as near the hour as possible. One's obligations cease if these simple rules are followed.

Etiquette For the Hostess.

Among the laws of social usage called etiquette perhaps none is oftener broken or at least shaken than that demanding composure of manner in host and hostess where awkward or inexperienced help must be depended upon.

An already bewildered maid is not rendered any the better by open reprimands, admonitions, orders or a series of frantic signals. She is much more likely to stumble, drop food and dishes and possibly burst into tears if reproved before guests, making them uncomfortable and agonizing the hostess.

If the fish is served and its sauce is forgotten, if there is a mistake in pouring wine or filling the water goblets, or, indeed, any such small mishaps, matters are not made any better by repeated corrections, veiled sarcasm or anything of the sort. One of the really simple rules of good breeding is followed by the hostess who never apologizes for commissions or omissions at her table. She may give orders to a nervous maid in a very, very low, gentle tone that will help to compose the frightened, awkward girl, and she makes the effort and is always successful to divert her guests and pays no attention seemingly to anything that goes wrong.

The obligation that good form imposes upon guests in such cases is to assist the hostess in a quiet, considerate way. If in the serving of a dish it is discovered that it has been badly cooked or is in any way wrong it is far better to allow it to be served, unless it would be really harmful, than to send it back to the kitchen with a stern message to a possibly flustered, incompetent cook. Then guests can easily trifle with it, allowing that course to be as if it never was wrong in any way, laughing and talking about anything, everything that comes to mind. This helps out a worried hostess and makes for the pleasure of the assembled company.

Apologies should never be offered for a long, awkward wait intervenes between courses. It becomes then the duty of host and hostess to appear entirely unconcerned and to keep the ball of conversation going as swiftly and gayly as possible. This is the composure of manner that must be cultivated if people wish to appear at ease, no matter what happens. Accidents are always apt to occur, and to accept them quietly is to show good breeding, which is etiquette.

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For illustration, if the debt is \$1,000 the debtor will pay \$25.25 every year for the first payment, \$20.11 for interest, \$1.75 belongs to the bank, and \$2.50 is applied to the repayment of the principal. When the debt is half discharged, however, this disbursement will be greatly changed. The borrower will pay \$25.25, as usual. Of this amount only \$10 will go for interest, .88 cents will be retained by the bank, while \$13.37 will be applied to the discharge of the principal. The final payment will be almost wholly to the payment of principal, as the first one went largely to the payment of interest. In this way one-half of 1 per cent will repay the principal in fifty-four years, provided a constant payment is maintained on the principal for interest during the entire period.—Representative Ralph W. Moss, World's Work.

Oblong Houses.

Small and oblong houses are cheaper than old shaped structures. Oblong houses are cheaper than the square houses, come in certain shapes and the house that is long and narrow takes less timber than one that is square—that is to say, the material is better of value in the oblong shape than in the square house, also less labor is involved in the making.—The Review.

Modernized Comparison.

The poet remarked the ready made, "The world is mightier than the pen." Yes, and the man who writes is mightier than the universal peace, "but I am not a poet, I am a typewriter."—Wash. Post.

ORIGIN OF THE HARP.

Evolved From the Lyre of the High Priest of Osiris.

The history of the piano counts as a day compared to the harp. We have authentic records that as early as 1800 B. C. the first lyre was evolved from the mind of the high priest of Osiris, who in one of his daily walks along the banks of the river Nile found an empty tortoise shell spanned with dried ligaments. Happening to strike it, he noticed that it gave forth pleasing sounds, and he at once made an instrument on the plan of the tortoise shell.

From the lyre it was but an easy step to the harp, now the most famous instrument in the world. Milesius, one of the Phoenician priests, carried it with him in his conquest to Ireland, and there he planted it among the music-loving Celts in 1200 B. C. The royal instrument became a controlling feature in druidical worship, and the harpist or bard ranked with royalty, the prophet and the priest. The druids advanced the harp from eleven to thirty-two strings and crowned their efforts in its improvement by the evolution of the pillar, which has ever since found universal adoption.

Our modern harp consists of forty-five or forty-seven strings, seven pedals—one for each note in the octave—and the wonderful instrument shares with the piano and organ the faculty of being autonomous—that is to say, it needs no accompaniment and furnishes both melody and harmony.—Miss Letitia De Loe in New York Tribune.

Two Ideas.

Uri, a candidate for congress, said to Jonathan, another, during a heated debate: "I think, sir, you have but one idea in your head. It is a very small one, and if it should swell your head would burst."

Jonathan, looking at the bare and venerable head of his opponent, replied: "Well, I think you haven't one in your head and never had. There has been one scratching around the outside, trying to get in, till it has scratched all the hair off your head. But it didn't get in, and it never will." Uri was silent.—Chicago News.

The Benighted Parent.

Little Girl: Why did your mamma spank you? Boston Child: Because she is too untrained and ignorant to devise a more modern reformatory method of punishment.—Life.

Uses of Failure.

I thank God that I was not made a dextrous manipulator, for the most important of my discoveries have been suggested to me by failure.—Sir Isaac Newton.

Protected

By A. D. WILDER

My brother Tom was killed at the battle of Shiloh. We were in the same company and at the time he was shot were repelling one of those sledgehammer attacks General Johnston hurled against us like blows upon an anvil. I saw Tom turn around and fall on his face. There was a pang, and then I was like a madman. The Confederates were right on us, and we were fighting them hand to hand. I forgot danger and poked and clubbed with my musket, fighting for vengeance.

They said afterward that my "bravery" held the others, and we drove them off. Then I took Tom in my arms and carried him to the rear. They came at us again and again, and every time they came I fought them more fiercely. They did not give me time to cool off. But when the sun set on the last day of the fight I lay on the ground physically used up, and sorrow took the place of revenge.

When the term of enlistment for my regiment expired we were mustered out. Many of the boys re-enlisted, but I did not. I thought I had seen enough of war. But a war fever is like any other disease—it must run its course. Whenever I heard a drum beat, a distant shot, the sound of martial music, I grew restless with a desire to be again tramping, fighting, in among the living and the dead. I resisted as long as I could, then gave in and enlisted for another "three years or during the war."

During this enlistment I was with the army marching to the sea. One evening soon after sunset I was marching with my company when I felt ill and was obliged to drop out of the ranks. I sat down beside the road, and after awhile, feeling better, I got up and staggered on. In the west, above where the sun had set, the twilight still lingered, but about me was the verge of darkness. Suddenly I was conscious of some one walking beside me. I was too tired and ill to be especially interested in who was there. I supposed him to be some straggler like myself who was trying to get somewhere, and that he would soon go ahead of or drop behind me. But he did neither. He kept just so far away from me and a little to my rear. I remember once or twice looking for him, but either on account of the darkness or because he was at the time farther away from me or for some other reason I didn't see him, or, if I did, it was but indistinctly.

But somehow it got into my head that my brother Tom was beside me. If I had been asleep I would have said that the feeling was something like a dream, but I was awake. Moreover, I didn't see Tom. I only felt his presence. I felt so ill and so exhausted that I didn't concern myself about the presence of the dead. My sensibilities were at a very low ebb, and it was all I could do to get on. I didn't even I had seen Tom walking beside me and he had talked with me I would have had any ability to exercise the faculty of wonder.

However, my consciousness of the presence of my brother remained with me till I saw a campfire to my left and the silhouettes of some men between it and me. I sheered off, and as I did so it seemed to me that the figure beside me parted from me. I staggered up to the persons about the fire and fell on the ground.

They were making coffee, and one of them held a tin cup full of it to my mouth and poured what seemed like a new life down my throat. I tried both coffee and whiskey for a bracer from fatigue, and found the coffee infinitely preferable. Under the stimulant I felt refreshed and lying flat on the ground with my head on a pile of dirt I slept till morning. Then after another cup of coffee and some hard-tack I felt strong enough to hunt up my command. While doing so I passed some Confederate prisoners. One of them accosted me.

"I say, young man, who was that with you last night?"

"What do you mean?" I asked. I had never seen the fellow before and couldn't make out what he was driving at.

"Just before dark some of us were hanging on the rear of you uns, laying for stragglers. I saw you drop out, and I just thought I'd pick you off. But it wouldn't be safe to do it till the column got out of earshot. When you got up I shadowed you, and was drawing ahead on you when another man got in between you and me. I hadn't calculated on any one else being there and didn't like to shoot because I didn't know who he was, for fear I might kill one of our boys.

"He kind o' flickered in what little light there was between you and me, specially whenever I raised my gun to shoot. What made me curious about him was that he kept getting in my way whenever I got you against the sky where I could get a good aim at you. Who was he anyway?"

"There wasn't anybody walking beside me that I know of," I replied. What else could I say? I felt as surely as if I knew that Tom had protected me. But I had no intention of telling a stranger who confessed that he had tried to kill me that I had been saved by a ghost. He would have laughed at me or thought I was daff.

One thing this experience did for me during the rest of the war, I had no feeling of fear. I didn't believe I could be killed.

FILLING THE LUNGS.

Correct and Deep Breathing is Essential to Good Health.

No piece of advice the physician can give will bear more frequent repetition than the pithy sentence, "Breathe deeply." It is a perfectly simple rule of health, yet it is constantly broken. There are two ways to learn to breathe. If our powers of self discipline are poor, as is the case with most insufficient breathers, it is a good plan to join a gymnasium or calisthenic class and learn to use the lungs as a baby learns to use its feet and hands. But remember that lessons in breathing will do no good if the scholar thinks he is absolved from his task except when he is in the class.

A simpler method for those who have not time or opportunity to attend a gymnasium is to turn life's daily routine into a continuous discipline in breathing. If the poor breather takes the trouble to watch himself carefully he will find that when he is engaged upon any work that calls for close attention he does not even breathe as deeply as usual; he almost invariably holds his breath. Thus the blood current is vitiated when it ought to be cleansed, and the worker exhausts himself, not so much by his labors as by his neglect.

Draw in deep drafts of air every time you take a breath, and every little while stop everything else and fill your lungs a few times with breaths that test their capacity. You will be surprised to see the improvement that it will make in your general condition.—Timely Doctor.

PRUNING BY RAIN.

One of Nature's Many Methods of Thinning Her Forests.

Nature has many ways of thinning and pruning and trimming her forests—lightning strokes, heavy snows and storm winds to shatter and blow down whole trees here and there or break off branches as required. The results of these methods I have observed in different forests, but only once have I seen pruning by rain.

The rain froze on the trees as it fell and drew so thick and heavy that many of them lost a third or more of their branches. The view of the woods after the storm had passed and the sun shone forth was something new to be forgotten. Every twig and branch and rugged trunk was encased in pure crystal ice, and each oak and hickory and willow became a fairy crystal palace. Such dazzling brilliant effects of white light and frigid light, glowing and flashing, I had never seen, nor have I since.

The sudden change of the leafless woods to glowing silver was, like the great aurora, spoken of for years and is one of the most beautiful of the many pictures that enrich my life. And besides the great shows there were thousands of others, even in the coldest weather, manifesting the utmost fineness and tenderness of beauty and affording noble compensation for hardship and pain.—Atlantic Monthly.

Red as a Cure.

In England, says the London Globe, apothecaries for many years were firm believers in the efficacy of the color red as a combatant of disease. Patients, especially those suffering from rheumatism, were frequently wrapped in red blankets and dressed in red clothes. "Let your nightcap be of scarlet," recommended Andrew Borden in his discourse on sleep, "and petticoat of scarlet also," while a physician in the sixteenth century advised that the face be washed once a week and then wiped with a red cloth. Upon this latter item of the prescription great stress was laid—no doubt the color of the cloth was intended to act as an antidote against the chill of such frequent ablutions.

Grease a Cause of Disease.

Grease in a sink is a very prolific cause of disease. It cannot but accumulate from dishes and utensils, and when small bits of vegetable matter adhere to it a shelter is given to mischievous bacteria. Besides, grease will clog the drain and become a menace and an inconvenience. The surest and simplest cleansing agent is a strong solution of washing soda and boiling water. The sink should first be scrubbed with soap and the hot solution then dashed down the drain. This cleansing should be done at least once a week.—Chicago News.

Different Viewpoints.

Duncan Macpherson was playing golf. Going out he drove brilliantly over a stream in a hollow. "My, but you was a fine drive over the bonny wee burn!" he remarked to his caddy. Coming home he had to play over this same "burn" for another hole and drove right into it. "Gang ye an' fish th' ba' oot o' yon dirty sewer!" he growled.—Argonaut.

Use For His Head.

Old Gotrox (to his fashionable son)—You and your set thoroughly disgust me. You could get along as well without a head on your shoulders as with one. Algy—Aw, fawther, how weddulous! Why, weah would a fellah weah his hat?—Puck.

His Delicate Touch.

"That Muller is a peach at borrowing. At the dance last night he put my tie straight, and when he had finished I was 100 marks poorer." Fliegende Blätter.

Next to acquiring good friends the best acquisition is that of good books.—Colton.

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Fortune Hunting Girls

By HELEN CONSTABLE

Marjorie Tait, a miss in short dresses, was sitting by a table studying her lessons when she heard her mother and a visitor, Mrs. Winston, talking in the next room.

"Malcolm writes me that he's coming down for a week this fall to visit me." "What can your nephew find to amuse him in such a quiet place as this? There are no young men, and as for girls, there are only a few in short dresses."

"That's what he's coming for—to get rid of the girls. They are worrying the life out of the poor fellow trying to marry him. You know, Malcolm has just come into a fortune of four or five hundred thousand dollars. He's handsome as a picture, was voted the most popular man in his class while in college and is highly intellectual."

Marjorie gasped at this catalogue of attractions.

"Dear me," exclaimed Mrs. Tait, "how I should worry about him if he were my son! The marrying age is the most dangerous of all to a man."

"By and by you'll have to worry about Marjorie."

"Not for years. Marjorie has scarcely put away her dolls. Tell Malcolm when he arrives to come and see us."

When Malcolm Wright came to town he called at Mrs. Tait's. Mrs. Tait was taking a sleigh, and it required some time for her to awaken and get herself in proper costume to receive visitors. Marjorie, who examined the card as it was carried past her in the upper hall, ran down a back staircase seated herself before her study table and began to repeat her lessons aloud.

"Amo, I love, amamus, thou lovest, amat, he loves; amamus, we love; amatis, you love; amant, they love."

Mr. Wright, hearing the Latin verb "to love" conjugated by a soft feminine voice, arose from his chair and looked into the other room through the open door. He saw a very pretty, thin-cut looking schoolgirl sitting before her books, apparently unconscious of being observed. He listened to some more of her drilling then gave an "Ahem!"

Marjorie gave a start so well feigned that the young man did not doubt for a moment that it was caused by seeing him.

"Oh, dear!" she exclaimed.

"Well, now, I like that! I find you saying 'I love, you love, we love,' and on seeing me you exclaim, 'Oh, dear!' I presume if you had finished it would have been, 'Oh, dear Malcolm Wright!'"

"I assure you—I was studying. You were quiet. How long have you been in the drawing room?"

"Long enough to have sent my card to Mrs. Tait, your mother, and been waiting several minutes."

At this juncture Mrs. Tait was heard coming downstairs, and Mr. Wright, who had barely crossed the threshold stepped back in time to avoid appearing to have left the room. The lady received him cordially, regretting that she had not sons or daughters of an age to help make his stay pleasant.

A day or two later Mr. Wright, approaching Mrs. Tait's home, saw her emerge from the house. Marjorie saw him from an upper window. He mounted the steps and rang. Marjorie opened the door.

"Good morning. Is your mother at home? No? How unlucky! Perhaps you will permit me to come in for a moment. I wish to leave a message for her."

A month passed. Mr. Wright remained away from the many girls who were trying to snare him. The route past Mrs. Tait's house was his favorite walk, and whenever he was sure Mrs. Tait was not at home he called and asked for her and was taken in charge by Marjorie. One evening he called when he knew the mother was at home.

"Why, Mr. Wright," the good lady exclaimed, "you here yet? What a dread you must have of the girls of your home to have kept away from them so long!"

"It is about a girl of your home that I have called to speak to you."

"A girl of my home?"

"Yes, your daughter, Miss Marjorie. I wish your permission to pay my addresses to her, or, rather, your permission that we be engaged."

Mrs. Tait gaped at Mr. Wright.

"I love her very dearly, and she loves—"

"What, that child?"

"She tells me she is nearly eighteen."

"But how, when, where?"

Marjorie came up behind her mother and put her arms about her.

"I heard all you and Malcolm's aunt said about those horrid girls who were trying to catch him for his fortune, and I thought it a pity that they should deceive so nice a man. He heard me conjugating the verb 'to love' when he called on you, and somehow it affected his brain, for—"

Mr. Wright took Marjorie away from her mother and, placing his own arm about her, the two pleaded their cause together.

"That's right!" said the older woman. "I can't make out how they could be induced to do the courting."

"I did it for Malcolm. I think of his being driven from his home by those horrid fortune hunting girls."

My First Christmas Eve Dance

WRITTEN BY A JACK TAR



WHEN me and my shipmate, Bill Holthead, was takin' a little cruise ashore last year we each got a pretty, sweet scented note with R. S. V. P. at the bottom, requestin' "the pleasure of your company" at a dance on Christmas eve. Bill, who is well up in these things, told me them letters meant "Reply Sharp; Very Pressin'." So we wrote our replies sharp, acceptin' "the very pressin' invitation."

Well, Christmas eve came round, and Bill and me rigged ourselves out in our best shore goin' togs and set sail for the dance. On reportin' ourselves we was mustered in a big cabin like a battleship's gun room, all lit up with holly and mistletoe, and with the deck polished instead of holy stoned, and so slippery that I nearly pitched on to my bowsprit as I went through the hatchway.

"Vast heavin', Bill," I sez, comin' to an anchor; "this is worse than crossin' the bay in a gale o' wind," but Bill he kept forin' ahead, as cool as a middy in command of a dispatch boat, so I slipped my cable and went on full speed in his wake, sweatin' like a marine recruit goin' into hacton for the first time. We was nearly the last aboard, for the cabin was pretty full, the men lookin' like restaurang waiters, and the ladies all as smart as a cruiser squadron in rainbow rig.

Presently a fussy little chap, who I took to be the commodore, but who Bill said was the M. Sea man though he didn't look as if he knowed much about the sea, came up and gave us both a pretty card with same orders on, which Bill called a program. Then he passed the word to clear for hacton and a band on the quarterdeck, aft struck up and the dance began.

As I was leanin' against the bar, was the M. Sea man came up and



"I NEARLY PITCHED ON TO MY BOWSPRIT," said somethin' what I couldn't catch, so I said, "Aye, aye, sir," and before I knowed it he had hintrojuced me to the smartest A1 clipper built little craft I ever turned my searchlights on, and somehow the next minute her sweet little nuchthead was close to mine, and I made fast around her amidships and steamed into hacton.

"This is a polker, not an 'ornpipe," she said presently in a voice as sweet as the boat's whistle pipin' at greg time, so I axed her parding and navigated accordin'. Well, we boxed the compass about twice, when some one ran foul o' my starboard bow and threw me on my beam ends. My consort was so concerned and bore a hand so prettily to bail me up that I quite forgot to say what I was goin' to to the lubber. Next time I was goin' to dance with her again, but she told me she was engaged. "Hindeed!" sez I as 'aughty as a hadmiral. Then a red headed swab took her in tow, and the band strikin' up the "Keel Row" there was the two of 'em a-caperin' away just like old Mac, our second engineer, when he has had what he calls "a wee drop" on pay nights.

Soon after I see her sittin' fannin' herself, while the redheaded chap was a-carryin' on shamefoll with a girl in pink, so I tacked towards her and told her what I thought of the swab she was engaged to and hofferred to bash in his headlights. I thought she would never stop laughin' as she told me she didn't even know him and was only engaged to him for the dance. And then I felt better.

Well, to cut the yarn short, at eight bells I conveyed her down to the ward room to mess, and after that we hove to in a conservative full of palms and flowers and smellin' like a tropical island, and then—well, after a very hot engagement, in which I had to bring both broadsides into hacton, my pretty prize hauled down her flag, and a few months later we signalled for a sky pilot, and I towed her safe into port. London Tit Bits.

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ORDER FOR ADJUSTMENT OF CLAIMS AND NOTICE TO CREDITORS. In Probate—Portage County Court. In the matter of the will of Iver Furo, deceased. Letters of administration with the will annexed on the estate of Iver Furo, deceased, having been issued to Carrie Furo, the widow of said deceased.

It is Ordered, that the time until and including the first Tuesday of June, A. D. 1914, at 10 o'clock in the forenoon be and is hereby allowed and limited for the creditors of said Iver Furo, deceased, to present their claims for examination and allowance.

offer for sale and sell at public auction to the highest bidder for cash, at the front door of the court house in the city of Stevens Point, county of Portage and state of Wisconsin, on the 21st day of Jan., 1914, at 3:30 o'clock p. m., the following described property mentioned and described in said judgment to wit: Commencing at a stake on the quarter line eighty (80) rods east of the quarter post on west side of section thirty (30), township twenty-two (22), north of range seven (7) east, running thence east sixty-four (64) rods, running thence south one hundred sixty (160) rods to the south line of said section thence west on the south line of said section sixty-four (64) rods thence north one hundred sixty (160) rods to the place of beginning, excepting therefrom the right of way of the Princeton & Northwestern Railway Company, also the northeast quarter (ne¼) of the northeast quarter (ne¼) of section thirty-one (31), township twenty-two (22), north of range seven (7) east.

JOHN F. KURSIK, Sheriff of Portage County, Wis.
Chas. A. Briere, Attorney for Plaintiffs.
P. O. Address: Grand Rapids, Wis.

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STATE OF WISCONSIN—In Circuit Court for Portage County, Aloysz Ostrowski, plaintiff, vs. Daniel A. Chandler, the estate of Daniel A. Chandler, George N. Lyman, the estate of George N. Lyman, the unknown heirs of George N. Lyman, and all persons claiming by, through, or under either or any of the above named defendants, adversely to said plaintiff, defendants.

JOHN A. MURAT, County Judge.

It is Further Ordered, that notice of the time and place at which said claims and demands will be received, examined and adjusted as aforesaid, and of the time hereby limited for creditors to present their claims, be given by publication of this order and notice for four consecutive weeks, once in each week, in The Gazette, a weekly newspaper published in the city of Stevens Point, in said county, the first publication to be within fifteen days from the date hereof.

By the Court, JOHN A. MURAT, County Judge.

mands against the said Christian F. Strache, deceased, be received, examined and adjusted by this court at the county court rooms, court house, in the city of Stevens Point, in said county, at the regular term thereof to be held on the first Tuesday of June, 1914.

It is Further Ordered, that notice of the time and place at which said claims and demands will be received, examined and adjusted as aforesaid, and of the time hereby limited for creditors to present their claims, be given by publication of this order and notice for four consecutive weeks, once in each week, in The Gazette, a weekly newspaper published in the city of Stevens Point, in said county, the first publication to be within fifteen days from the date hereof.

By the Court, JOHN A. MURAT, County Judge.

It is Further Ordered, that all claims and demands against the said Iver Furo, deceased, be received, examined and adjusted by this court at the county court rooms, court house, in the city of Stevens Point, in said county, at the regular term thereof to be held on the first Tuesday of June, 1914, at 10 o'clock in the forenoon, and in case of your failure so to do, judgment will be rendered against you according to the demand of the complaint.

McFARLAND & MURAT, Plaintiff's Attorneys.
P. O. Address: 316 Main St., Stevens Point, Portage County, Wis.

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MISS JESSIE WILSON AND HER SISTERS, THE MISSSES MARGARET AND ELEANOR WILSON—MISS JESSIE ABOVE MISS ELEANOR BELOW AT LEFT, MISS MARGARET AT RIGHT

Like that of the last White House bride, Miss Nicholas Longworth, nee Alice Roosevelt, the trousseau of Miss Jessie Wilson has all been made in this country. In democratic simplicity the present bride elect has done the colonel's daughter one better for every gown except the traditional has been selected from ready-to-wear stock in the best shops of Washington, Baltimore and New York. The bride, on the other hand, has all her trousseau made in the city. She is a student at the University of Wisconsin, and her trousseau is a collection of gowns, dresses, and accessories, all of which are of the latest fashion. The bride's trousseau is a collection of gowns, dresses, and accessories, all of which are of the latest fashion. The bride's trousseau is a collection of gowns, dresses, and accessories, all of which are of the latest fashion.

Numberless gowns for the trousseau have been sent to Miss Wilson from all over the country. Among them are several pieces of exquisitely fine hand embroidered lingerie from Mrs. Marshall, wife of the president, with other articles equally charming from ladies of the cabinet and from many of the girls for whom and with whom Miss Jessie labored in the settlement work which has always been the deepest interest in her life. From those who have had an opportunity of seeing some of the trousseau it is learned that in frocks and hats the predominating color scheme is violet in its many pinkish shades. Although the clothes are all up to date they are not extreme in point of numbers or in style. The wedding gown is of handsome white satin, soft and lustrous, and adorned with beautiful old-fashioned lace.

What Would You Do If— Ben and Shaw ask a question of the minut movement what he would do if a government of women coming to the conclusion that being a male was not human, refused him the vote excluded him from parliament and from the places by whom persons of his sex had to be tried turned him out of court on occasions when questions most intimately affecting his sex were at issue wrote up on the walls of the churches that a woman's property included her ox and her ass and her husband and everything that was hers and absolutely refused to be moved from this position by any appeal to reason or feeling, merely pointing out superciliously from time to time that his letters showed an unbalanced mind and that some of the best men had never had votes, had avoided serving on juries and had been proud and glad to wheel perambulators instead of unsexing themselves by pushing into women's professions.

The Suspender Girl. The shirt waist girl is now going in for suspenders, but they are a glorified version of the idea which she has stolen from her brother's wardrobe. In fact, so gorgeous are they that it seems a pity that they must be covered by the middie blouse which she wears with her tennis and golfing skirt. The straps are of dull gold or silver lace supplemented by jeweled chains that hang from each shoulder and in front fasten under a golden horseshoe with a scarab set center.

Too Many Widows. The mothers' pension law is not always a success, and in some places—in Seattle, for instance—it is quite remarkable the number of husbandless women who apply for aid. Some men have divorced as many as four wives, and all of them are asking for pensions. Many of the husbands have gone to Alaska.

More Locals.

Reton Bros. have made a special effort in shopping bags in leather. Call and see them.

Mrs. Nels Evenson is spending a couple of weeks visiting among Chicago friends.

Reton Bros. show the Pyrolin Ivory in toilet sets, manicure sets, brushes and trays. These articles may be monogrammed in colors without extra charge.

Several cars of dry, hard maple and mixed wood just received—special price when delivered direct from the cars. Telephone red 82. Langenberg Brick Mfg. Co.

Herman Hintz, one of Eau Claire's pioneer farmers, and who is located a couple of miles south of Dancy, was a business and social visitor to the city on Thursday last.

The person who lost a head scarf on the west side of the river, about three miles northwest of the city, may procure the same by calling at this office and paying for notice.

O. E. Wood spent a couple of days the last of the week on a trip to Hancock, Westfield and other points down the line in the interest of the Stevens Point business college.

Reton Bros. request that if anything is wanted that cannot be had at other stores, that you call and see if they can help you out. Their stock is complete as well as comprehensive.

Mrs. G. M. Dahl of New York city, who had been spending several weeks with her mother and sister, Mrs. G. W. Cate and Miss Ruth Cate in Stevens Point, left for Milwaukee last Thursday to spend a couple of weeks with her sister, Mrs. W. J. Cronyn, before proceeding east.

Undersheriff Guyant and Mrs. Theo. Lignman accompanied Mrs. Rachael Foerster to the Northern hospital last Thursday. Mrs. Foerster, who is about 80 years of age, had been living at the home of her son, C. G. Foerster, on Warner street, but her mental condition was such that she persisted in wandering away, and on Thursday she was examined by Drs. M. G. Root and E. H. Rogers, who recommended that she be given treatment at the above institution.

To the Public.

The Stevens Point Laundry Co., successors to Styles & Kiley's, wish to announce that they have secured the services of an expert laundryman to take charge of all work at their plant. Wm. J. Johnson has come here from Waukegan and assumed the duties of superintendent Monday morning. Mr. Johnson has 14 or 15 years' experience in the business and is recognized as a master of the art. His recommendations are the best and his class work is assured under his direction.

The photos convention the other day endorsed woman suffrage. It is understood that the hobos are dissatisfied with the vagrancy laws that the men have made.

Stomach Troubles Disappear.

Stomach, liver and kidney troubles, weak nerves, lame back and female ills disappear when Electric Bitters are used. Thousands of women would not be without a bottle in their home. Eliza Pool of Depew, Okla., writes: "Electric Bitters raised me from a bed of sickness and suffering and has done me a world of good. I wish every suffering woman could use this excellent remedy and find out as I did, just how good it is." As it has helped thousands of others, it surely will do the same for you. Every bottle guaranteed, 50c and \$1.00. At all drug stores. H. E. Bucklen & Co., Philadelphia and St. Louis.

A wife who had her husband arrested for drunkenness was surprised when he told the court he had to work on account of the amount of pepper she put into his "grub." Too much pepper will now become a popular excuse with hard drinkers, but it is an excuse that will not "go" if it is offered by certain tailors.

Fit His Case Exactly.

"When father was sick about six years ago he read an advertisement of Chamberlain's Tablets in the papers that fit his case exactly," writes Miss Margaret Campbell of Ft. Smith, Ark. "He purchased a box of them and he has not been sick since. My sister had stomach trouble and was also benefited by them." For sale by all dealers.

It is said that four new words are added to the English language every day. It keeps a person humping to learn the meaning of one out of the four.

Cured of Liver Complaint.

"I was suffering with liver complaint," says Iva Smith of Point Blank, Texas, "and decided to try a 25c box of Chamberlain's Tablets, and am happy to say that I am completely cured and can recommend them to everyone." For sale by all dealers.

According to her press agent, a certain beautiful actress has had her beautiful back insured for \$35,000. Can she collect damages if she gets a crick in it?

The Chicago Tribune.

Special arrangements have been made whereby we can send you The Gazette and Chicago's greatest paper, The Daily Tribune, both for one year for \$4.25, providing you reside on a rural route. If you live in Stevens Point, the price for both papers is \$4.95.

Take advantage of this liberal offer if you want your home paper and the best metropolitan paper published. Cash in advance.

Men this year, according to certain fashion authorities, will have a well defined waist. But, of course, men of glib build will have waists of the convex type.

Furnished Rooms for Rent.

Several completely furnished rooms are offered for rent by the month. Are furnished heated and supplied with bath, electric light and gas. Enquire of E. A. Cooper at Barney's Buffet, corner Strong's avenue and Park street.

Men's and Boys' Overcoats at a Bargain

Our December Sale of Overcoats and Suits starts Today

All young men's \$22, \$20 and \$18 values we will close out in this sale at **\$14.00**

All young men's \$16.50, 15.00 and 13.50 values, Sale price, **11.00**

Boys' coats from size 7 to 17 will go in this sale at the same reduction as men's.

Young Men's Suits

Young men's suits of \$22, \$20 and \$18 values, Sale price, **\$14.00**

We have all sizes in young men's suits, from 33 to 40.

All New, Up-to-Date Stock—a rare chance to get a Suit or Overcoat at less than the cost of manufacturing. Nothing reserved. Don't miss this Sale. Come and see the values that we are offering.

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112-Piece Austrian China Dinner Set with Gold Band, formerly sold at \$25, at this sale. **\$16.95** 112-Piece French China Dinner Set, formerly sold at \$28.00, at this sale. **\$15.95**

100-Piece Austrian Dinner Set, formerly \$18, at this sale. **\$10.95** 100-Piece American Ware Dinner Set with Gold Band, formerly \$11, at this sale. **\$8.48**

112-Piece English Dinner Set at this sale. **\$8.95** 25 Per Cent Discount

All Hand Painted, Haviland and Fancy Chinaware at **1-3 off** 25 different styles of Dinner Sets to select from at **25 to 40% off** during this Extraordinary Sale on all Table Sets, Water Sets, Berry Sets, Chamber Sets and all Fancy and Parlor Lamps.

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